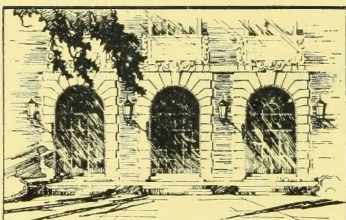


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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1897,
12 O'CLOCK M.

The forty-third regular session of the legislature of the state of Wisconsin, being the seventh biennial session thereof, met in the assembly chamber of the capitol at the city of Madison, pursuant to the constitution of the state.

Oliver G. Munson, assistant chief clerk of the last assembly (Chief Clerk Nowel, of last assembly being absent through sickness), called the assembly to order, and a list of the members-elect as certified by the secretary of state, was read as follows:

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY ELECTED IN
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, AT THE GENERAL
ELECTION HELD THEREIN ON THE 3d DAY OF
NOVEMBER, A. D. 1896.

Department of State.
MADISON, Wis., January 13, 1897.

W. A. NOWELL,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly:

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit herewith a list of the members of the assembly of the state of Wisconsin, as appears from the certificates of the county clerks of the several counties comprising the assembly districts named in said list.

HENRY CASSON,
Secretary of State.

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- Adams and Marquette—S. W. Pierce.
Ashland and Iron—Mathew J. Connors.
Bayfield, Sawyer and Washburn—King G. Staples.
Brown—
 1st district—Thomas J. McGrath.
 2d district—John M. Hogan.
Barron—Jonathan J. Smith.
Buffalo and Pepin—Samuel F. Plummer.
Calumet—Joseph Wolfinger.
Chippewa—
 1st district—C. A. Stanley.
 2d district—John W. Thomas.
Clark—Joseph C. Marsh.
Columbia—
 1st district—Lemuel P. Hindes.
 2d district—George Wylie.
Crawford—James O. Davidson.
Dane—
 1st district—Daniel Bechtel.
 2nd district—Christ Legried.
 3rd district—Oscar F. Minch.
Dodge—
 1st district—Jesse A. Clason.
 2nd district—Samuel R. Webster.
Door—Henry Overbreck, Jr.
Douglas—
 1st district—James H. Agen.
 2nd district—Jarvis White.
Dunn—Albert R. Hall.
Eau Claire—
 1st district—Byron A. Buffington.
 2nd district—Horace N. Polley.
Forest, Florence and Langlade—George W. Latta.
Fond du Lac—
 1st district—Louie A. Lange.
 2d district—Wynn Edwards.
Grant—
 1st district—Thomas McDonald, Jr.
 2d district—Adelbert L. Utt.
Green—Nathaniel B. Treat.
Green Lake—Hans H. Olson.
Iowa—Wm. A. Jones.
Jackson—Addison W. Merrill.
Jefferson—
 1st district—Jesse Stone.
 2d district—Gilbert Rutherford.
Juneau—Frank E. Hurd.
Kenosha—John F. Reynolds.
Kewaunee—Maynard T. Parker.

La Crosse—

1st district—George H. Ray.

2nd district—Mark M. Buttles.

Lafayette—George P. Shaffer.

Lincoln and Taylor—William H. Flett.

Manitowoc—

1st district—Charles Wm. Sweeting.

2nd district—Fred C. Maertz.

Marathon—

1st district—Henry M. Thompson.

2nd district—Mark H. Barnum.

Marinette—George W. Taylor.

Milwaukee —

1st district—Charles H. Welch.

2nd district—Charles Polacheck.

3rd district—Barney A. Eaton.

4th district—Frank A. Anson.

5th district—Charles N. Frink.

6th district—Charles Niss, Jr.

7th district—Emerson D. Hoyt.

8th district—John F. Burnham.

9th district—Reinhard Klabunde.

10th district—Albert Woller.

11th district—Julius Feige.

12th district—Henry O. Reinholdt.

13th district—John H. Yorkey.

14th district—August Gawin.

15th district—Chas. A. W. Kraus.

Monroe—David F. Jones.

Oconto—Leslie C. Harvey.

Oneida, Price and Vilas—Gid. H. Clark.

Outagamie—

1st district—Bernard C. Wolter.

2d district—Charles Clack.

Ozaukee—Herman Schellenberg.

Pierce—George E. Pratt.

Polk and Burnett—Lester B. Dresser.

Portage—

1st district—Patrick H. Cashin.

2d district—Peter N. Peterson.

Racine—

1st district—William T. Lewis.

2d district—Thomas H. Mosher.

Richland—William M. Fogo.

Rock—

1st district—William G. Wheeler.

2d district—Abner S. Flagg.

3d district—Charles W. Merriman.

St. Croix—Hans Borchsenius.

Sauk—

1st district—John M. True.

2d district—John E. Morgan.

Shawano—Otto A. Risum.

Sheboygan—

1st district—Christian Ackerman.

2d district—William F. Sieker.

3d district—George W. Wolff.

Trempealeau—Joseph B. Beach.

Vernon—Emilus S. Goodell.

Walworth—

1st district—William H. Hurlbut.

2nd district—Leonard C. Church.

Washington—William H. Froehlich.

Waukesha—

1st district—Delbert K. Smith.

2nd district—Omer L. Rosenkrans.

Waupaca—

1st district—Ole C. Sether.

2nd district—Andrew Jenson.

Waushara—William Hughes.

Winnebago—

1st district—George A. Buckstaff.

2nd district—Silas Bullard.

3rd district—Frank T. Tucker.

Wood—Herman C. Wipperman.

All of the gentlemen certified as members subscribed to the oath of office, which was administered by Hon. R. D. Marshall, justice of the supreme court of the state of Wisconsin.

The roll was called and the following gentlemen answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buckstaff, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Kraus, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Shaffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey.

On motion of Mr. Anson,
The assembly proceeded to the

ELECTION OF A SPEAKER.

Mr. Anson presented the name of Mr. George A. Buckstaff, of Winnebago county.

The roll was called, and the following members voted for George A. Buckstaff:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Kraus, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Shaffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—91.

The following voted for Mr. L. A. Lange:

Messrs. Bechtel, Buckstaff, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Maertz, Minch, Schellenberg and Wolfinger—9.

Mr. Buckstaff having received a majority of all the votes cast was elected speaker.

Messrs. W. A. Jones, Ray, Anson and Lange were appointed to wait upon the speaker and conduct him to the chair.

The speaker was duly presented to the assembly by Mr. Lange.

The assembly then proceeded to the

ELECTION OF CHIEF CLERK.

The roll was called and the following members voted for Mr. W. A. Nowell:

Messrs. Ackerman, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borschenius, Buckstaff, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krav, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K.

Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—90.

The following members voted for Mr. C. J. Malek:

Messrs. Bechtel, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Lange, Maertz, Minch, Schellenberg and Wolfinger—9.

Mr. W. A. Nowell having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected.

The assembly proceeded to the

ELECTION OF A SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members voted for Mr. C. M. Hambright:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buckstaff, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Kraus, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkranz, Rutherford, Sether, Shaffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—90.

The following voted for Mr. Wm. Croll:

Messrs. Bechtel, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Lange, Maertz, Minch, Schellenberg and Wolfinger—9.

Mr. Hambright appeared before the bar of the assembly and the oath of office was administered to him by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Res. No. 1, A.,

Resolved, That the chief clerk be and is hereby instructed to notify the senate that the assembly is now organized, by the election of George A. Buckstaff as speaker, W. A. Nowell as chief clerk, C. M. Hambright as sergeant-at-arms, and is ready to proceed to business.

Adopted.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Res. No. 2, A.,

Resolved, That the use of the assembly chamber be permitted this evening for the republican senatorial caucus.

Adopted.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Res. No. 3, A.,

Resolved, That the rules of the assembly for 1895 be adopted for the rules of this assembly until otherwise ordered.

Adopted.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RULES,
APPOINTED BY THE LAST ASSEMBLY.

To the Legislature:

The committee appointed by the last legislature, under the provisions of Joint Resolution No. 62, S., submit herewith rules which we have prepared and recommend their adoption.

Respectively submitted,

EMIL BAENSCH,

T. D. WEEKS,

T. B. MILLS,

W. L. HOUSER,

On part of the Senate.

GEO. B. BURROWS,

W. A. JONES,

L. A. LANGE,

W. A. NOWELL,

On part of the Assembly.

PROPOSED NEW RULES

FOR THE USE OF THE

SENATE AND ASSEMBLY.

Compiled by W. L. Houser, under direction of the
Committee Authorized to Act by Joint Resolution
No. 62, S.

JOINT RESOLUTION No. 62 S.

WHEREAS, The manual of practice for the rules of the Senate and Assembly, and the joint rules of the same, are conflicting, contradictory, and complicated; and

WHEREAS, It is quite apparent that they could be simplified and made more effective, and tend to the expedition of the business of the two Houses; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That a committee, consisting of the President and President pro tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, the Chief Clerks of the Senate and Assembly, one Senator and two Assemblymen, the latter to be named by the presiding officers of the two Houses, be authorized to revise the manual of practice and the rules of the two Houses and the joint rules, and submit their report to the next Legislature at the opening of the same for its consideration.

CUSTOMS, PRECEDENTS AND FORMS.

ORGANIZATION.

The Legislature convenes at 12 o'clock M., on the second Wednesday of January in every odd numbered year.

Custom, so prevalent and so ancient as to have the force of law, has made it the duty of the Chief Clerk of the previous Assembly to call to order, and to conduct the proceedings generally, until a Speaker is chosen.

In the Senate the Lieutenant Governor calls the Senators to order, the Chief Clerk of the previous session acting in that capacity until his successor is chosen. The oath of office is usually administered to the newly elected Senators by the Lieutenant Governor, who also administers the oath of office to the Chief Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms. Immediately after the senators take the oath of office the election of President pro tem., Chief Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms is proceeded with in the order named.

The Secretary of State furnishes to the Clerk a certified statement of the names of the members elect, which is read. The members then advance to the Clerk's desk, and subscribe to the oath of office.

The election of President pro tem. of the Senate, Speaker of the Assembly, Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms of both the respective Houses are required to be viva voce.

After the organization each House informs the other House that it is organized and ready to proceed to business.

A joint committee of both Houses is then appointed to convey a like message to the Governor, and inform him that the Houses are in readiness to receive any communication from him he may desire to make.

At the first opportunity after hearing the message read, the various recommendations therein contained, are referred by resolution to appropriate standing committees or select committees.

DRAWING OF SEATS

The drawing of seats by lot has been observed since the Assembly first took possession of the new Assembly Chamber.

The method heretofore pursued is as follows:

The members leave their seats, and take places in the open area behind their seats. The Clerk having placed in a box, slips of paper containing the names of the members respectively, a page or messenger draws them therefrom. The Clerk announces each name as it is drawn, and the member named selects his seat, and occupies it until the drawing is completed. In the Senate the seats are usually placed in such manner as will be most agreeable to the Senators.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

President and Speaker.—The duties of these officers are generally defined in the rules.

Chief Clerks.—The rules set forth the duties of these officers. They have the care and custody of all the papers and records, and arrange in its proper order from day to day, after its inception, all the business of the two Houses. They must, in order to have a proper knowledge of the affairs of their departments, apportion, systematize and personally supervise the labor of all their subordinates, and, when not called therefrom by more important duties, should officiate in person at the reading desk. The duties of their subordinates are properly their duties, as all are performed under their direction, and they are responsible for any deficiencies. It is their duty to prepare and furnish to the public printer, an accurate record of each day's proceedings and a copy of every bill, report and other thing ordered to be printed "on the same day such

orders are made"; to keep the pay accounts of employees and issue certificates of per diem to them; to deliver the messages of the one House to the other and to sign subpoenas.

It is their duty to prepare an index to the journal, at the close of the session, and to be present at the opening of the next session, and to attend to such preliminary business as may be necessary, and conduct the proceedings therein until a speaker is elected, and perform the duties of Clerk thereof until their successors are chosen and qualified.

They are by law responsible for the safe keeping of all the bills and other documents in possession of the Legislature, and for the proper registry of all proceedings; and are required at the close of the session, to deposit all papers in their possession as Chief Clerks, properly classified and labeled, with the Secretary of State.

REGULATIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CLERK.

To insure a systematic and correct performance of the duties of their departments, the Chief Clerks of the two Houses have established the following regulations:

The Assistant Clerks.—It is their special duty:

1. To keep a record of each day's proceedings, and to correct the proof of same when printed.
2. To officiate at the reading desk when required by the Clerk, and in case of his absence to perform his duties generally.
3. To label and file in the appropriate places all papers presented, with proper dates and references.
4. To select each day all papers ordered to be printed, make the list thereof in a book provided for that purpose, and send them to the State Printer, taking his receipt therefor.
5. To keep a list of all absentees on leave, etc.

The Book-Keeper.—It is his special duty:

1. To keep the register of bills, resolutions, memorials, etc., showing therein, and opposite to each title, all actions taken and proceedings had, with regard to such papers.

2. To distribute to the proper committee, or officers, all bills, petitions and other papers referred.

3. To make out all certificates of per diem and mileage, ready for the signature of the Speaker and Clerk.

4. To prepare the message to be delivered to the other House, and when not otherwise occupied, to help the Journal Clerk in the performance of his duties.

The Engrossing Clerk.—It is his special duty:

1. To engross all bills ordered to a third reading which the rules require to be engrossed, properly placing all amendments adopted prior to the order of their engrossment.

2. By the direction of the Chief or Journal Clerk to perform any necessary service appertaining to the duties of the other deputies.

The Enrolling Clerk.—It is his special duty:

To make clear, legible copies of all bills which have been concurred in, without erasure or interlineations.

The Transcribing Clerk.—It is his special duty:

To copy the record of the proceedings of the Assembly into a book prepared for that purpose.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1. Each deputy when not occupied in the performance of his own special duties, is to render such assistance to the Clerk and to his associate deputies as may be in his power, or as the pressure of duties in a particular department may render necessary.

2. The deputies are expected to notify the Chief Clerk of any interference with their duties, and of all improper

approaches or requests made to them by any person. They are not to exhibit to any person any bill or other document in their possession without leave of the Chief Clerk.

3. Perfect courtesy must at all times be maintained toward members, reporters, associate deputies, and all who have business to transact with the department, but interference with legislation cannot be allowed under any circumstances.

Sergeat-at-arms. — This officer is executive officer of the House. He has charge of the Post Office and other appurtenant conveniences of the Assembly. He controls the police regulations, attends to the warming of the chambers, serves the subpoenas and warrants of the Assembly, announces messages from the Governor and from the Senate, provides rooms for committees, receives from the Superintendent of Public Property all public documents ordered or coming in due course, and distributes the same through the Post Office, or otherwise, to members and officers entitled thereto, and keeps the pay roll of the employes in his department. He is to organize his department with such system that each of his subordinates shall know his precise duties, and he is to see that each performs his duty promptly, thoroughly and courteously. He is required to keep the chamber open from 8 o'clock A. M. to 10 o'clock P. M.

He should have the printed bills and other documents in his possession so classified and arranged that he can at once answer any call upon him for them. His assistant assists him generally in the discharge of his duties, and takes his place when he is absent.

The Postmaster attends to the receipt and delivery of all mail matter coming to members and officers of the Assembly. Each member has a box in the Post Office of the Assembly corresponding with the number of his seat, in which his mail matter is deposited, and the Postmaster must, by himself or assistant, be at his post from 8 o'clock A. M., until 10 o'clock P. M., and until the adjournment of the Assembly for the day. He receives and forwards all mail matter deposited in his office by members or officers, in

time to be mailed from the Madison Post Office. He is to prominently post in the cloak and hat room (which is the members' side of the Post Office), a notice of the hours of closing the Assembly mails. He is entitled to the exclusive use of the Post Office, and no one ought to be admitted thereto except the Sergeant-at-Arms and the Speaker.

The Assistant Postmaster brings the mail to and from the Madison Post Office, and assists the Postmaster generally in his duties.

The Doorkeepers attend to the principal door; open and close it for the entry and exit of all persons; maintain order in the lobby and vestibule; see that visitors are seated, and that the regulations of the House in their departments are strictly enforced.

The Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Postmaster, Porter, Watchman, Doorkeepers, and gallery, committee-room, and wash-room attendants, are appointed by the Sergeant-at-Arms, and are responsible to him.

The messengers are appointed by the Speaker, except those in particular attendance upon the Chief Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms, who are appointed by said officers respectively.

DUTIES OF MESSENGERS.

1. To be in attendance from 8 o'clock a. m. until 10 o'clock P. M. every day (Sunday excepted), whether the Assembly is in session or not.

2. To receive the journals and printed bills from the Sergeant-at-Arms, and arrange them in order on the file of each member.

3. Not to leave the Assembly Chamber during the morning hour, or absent themselves from the session of the Assembly during an entire day, except upon leave of the Speaker, Clerk or Sergeant-at Arms.

4. During the morning hour to take the positions assigned to them by the Clerk, and, standing up, so as to see and be seen, hold themselves in readiness to bring all

bills, resolutions, etc., from the several members to the Clerk, when presented.

5. After the expiration of the morning hour, when not engaged in filing bills, etc., for the members they have in charge, to answer promptly any call, and render assistance to any member requiring it.

6. To refrain from throwing any paper balls, darts, or other missiles; to move lightly across the Assembly Chamber, and demean themselves respectfully towards every member and officer of the Assembly.

PROCESS OF PASSING BILLS.

Some diversity of practice exists herein, but the ordinary method in the Assembly, as an illustration, is as follows:

A member having prepared a bill and indorsed the title thereof, together with his name, upon the back of it, rises to his feet, at such time as the introduction of bills is under order, and says: "Mr. Speaker:" If recognized the Speaker responds: "The gentleman from ———." The member announces: "I ask leave to introduce a bill." The bill is then sent to the Chief Clerk by a messenger. The Clerk then reads the title of the bill and the Speaker announces: "First reading of the bill."

The Clerk again reads the bill by its title, and the Speaker announces "Second reading of the bill." And refers the same to some standing or select committee, as seems to him appropriate, unless special reference is made by request of the member introducing the bill. The bill is, in due course of time, reported back to the Assembly by the committee, when it is placed in the order: "Bills ready for engrossment and third reading." Under this order of business, the question put by the Speaker is as follows: "Shall this bill be engrossed and read a third time?" If decided affirmatively, the bill is sent by the Chief Clerk to the Engrossing Clerk for engrossment. When correctly engrossed, and compared by the Comparing Clerks, it is de-

livered by the Engrossing Clerk to the committee on Engrossed Bills, who compare the engrossed bill with the original bill and amendments, if any, and cause any errors which they may find to be corrected. When found correct, or made so, the committee report them to the House as correctly engrossed, and then referred to the committee on Bills on their Third Reading and when reported by that committee the original is filed with the Chief Clerk, and the engrossed bill goes into the order of "Bills ready for a third reading." When under this order of business, the bill, unless it appropriates money, is read by its title; if it appropriates money, at length, when the Speaker says as follows:

"This bill having been read three several times, the question is, shall the bill pass?" If the bill passes, it is taken to the Senate with a message announcing its passage by the Assembly, and asking the concurrence of the Senate therein. If the Senate concurs the bill is returned to the Assembly and is sent to the Enrolling Clerk, who makes a copy thereof, as is elsewhere described. When enrolled it goes to the committee on Enrolled Bills, who compare it with the engrossed bill. When found or made correct, they report the bill to the Assembly as correctly enrolled. The engrossed bill is filed with the Chief Clerk. The enrolled bill is then endorsed by the Chief Clerk, as having originated in the Assembly, for the information of the Governor, in case he vetoes it; then it is signed by the Speaker, and sent to the President of the Senate for his signature thereto. It is then sent by the Chief Clerk of the Assembly to the Governor for his approval. The Governor, if he approves the bill, informs the House in which it originated of the fact, and that he has deposited it with the Secretary of the State. If he vetoes the bill, information of the fact is given to the House in like manner, whereupon, the question shall be, "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?" The vote shall be taken by ayes and noes, and shall be lost, unless two-thirds of the members present

vote in favor of the passage of the bill, over the Governor's veto. Concurrence of the Senate by a two-thirds majority of the Senators present is necessary.

This is the ordinary process of a bill through all of its stages until it becomes a law.

A bill of great interest or importance, or one which is warmly contested, may, by reason of majority or minority reports, special orders, re-commitments, amendments, substitutes, committees of conference, and various other parliamentary process, pass through a vast variety of stages not before enumerated.

Senate bills going into the Assembly, after passing the Senate, are read twice by title and then referred to the appropriate committee. After being reported to the House by the committee, the question shall be: "Shall this bill be ordered to a third reading?" unless there be an amendment offered to the same, which shall be acted upon before the bill is ordered to a third reading. If it is decided affirmatively and the bill passes in the order of "Bills on third reading," and when read in that order, the question is, "Shall the bill be concurred in?" If concurred in, the bill is returned to the Senate with a message informing it of that fact. If an amendment be adopted to a bill, the Senate is so informed by message, and the amendment transmitted with the bill to the Senate. The question is, "Shall the Senate concur in the amendment adopted by the Assembly to the bill?"

If it is desired to hasten the passage of a bill, it is done by motion as follows:

I move to suspend all rules which will interfere with the immediate consideration of bill No. —. If this motion prevails, which requires an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present, the question will be put on passage of the bill, and if passed, will go at once to the Senate.

FORMS.

OF TITLES:

No. —, a bill to —.

Amending bill:

A bill relating to —, and amendatory of section — of chapter — of the —.

Repealing bill:

A bill to repeal section —, of chapter —, of the —, (relating to statutes or general laws, designating the same, and also the subject, object or purpose of the section of the chapter repealed; and in the body of every bill, the full title of the act repealed, shall be recited at length).

Appropriation Bill:

"To appropriate to —, the sum of — dollars."

Titles must be written inside the bill, and endorsed upon the outside, as follows:*

<p>No. —, A.,</p> <p><i>A bill to regulate the license to be paid by railroad companies.</i></p>
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<p>MR. GORDON.</p>

RESOLUTIONS should not be entitled, but should have the name of the mover indorsed upon them. The same rule applies to amendments.

Resolutions are of no special form; the following may serve as a general guide in such matters.

Res. No. —, A.

Resolved, That three thousand copies of the Governor's message be furnished by the public printer to the Sergeant-at-Arms, for the use of the Assembly. "MR. TUCKER."

* It is important that the titles of bills should be the same on the outside and inside of the bill, as the bill appears on the books of the Clerk by the indorsement, and is printed from the inside title and text.

AN ENACTING CLAUSE must precede the body of the bill — †

It must *invariably* be in the following form :

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:— Const., Art. IV., Sec. 17.

INVESTIGATIONS.

When an investigation is required into any matter, the person most interested in having the inquiry made, should move the appointment of a committee to take the subject in charge. This is done by resolution. The resolution should be so drawn as to state the precise subject to be investigated, and to give the committee all the power which the mover may deem necessary for a thorough examination into the subject matter to be laid before them; this should be done to prevent any misapprehension as to the intention and extent of the inquiry to be made. In case of the adoption of the resolution, the mover, together with other members, will be appointed a committee. They have power to send for persons and papers. The form of a subpoena is as follows :

“THE STATE OF WISCONSIN,

“To ——— : You are hereby commanded, that, laying aside all business and excuse, you personally appear and attend before Messrs. ———, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. ———, on the part of the Assembly, a *joint* committee appointed under a resolution of the Senate and Assembly, to investigate ——— at the room of said committee ———, in the city of Madison, the capital of the State, on the ——— day of ———, A. D. one thousand, eight hundred and ———, at the hour of ——— in the ——— noon, then and there, and from time to time, as required by said committee, to testify and give evidence upon the matters of inquiry before said committee.

† Section 17, Article IV., Constitution of Wisconsin, provides that legislation shall be by bill, and the enacting clause is necessary to the constitutionality of the law.

"Hereof fail not, under penalty in such case made and provided.

"Given at the Assembly Chamber, in the city of Madison aforesaid, this — day of —, A. D. 18—.

"— —, *Presiding Officer*.

"Attest:

— —, *Chief Clerk of the —.*"

In case of a refusal to appear, or a refusal to testify, the following form of certificate may be used:

"To Hon. — —, (*Presiding Officer*.)

"I, — —, chairman of the *joint* committee appointed to investigate — —, do hereby certify that — — has been duly subpoenaed to appear before said committee, as will fully appear by the writ served, and affidavit of service accompanying the same, on file with the Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

"I further certify that said — — has failed to appear before said committee, according to the exigency or mandate of said writ or subpoena.

"Dated Madison, — —, 18—, at — o'clock.

— — — —."

Upon which a warrant in the following form may be used:

"*The State of Wisconsin to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Assembly:*

"It appearing that a writ of subpoena, directed to — — — —, commanding him to personally appear and attend before Messrs. — — — —, on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. — — — —, on the part of the Assembly, a *joint* committee appointed under a resolution of the Senate and Assembly, to investigate — — — —, at the room of said committee, in the city of Madison, the capital of the State, the — — day of — —, A. D. 18—, at the hour of — — in the — — noon, then and there, and from time to time, as required by said committee, to testify and give evidence upon the matter of inquiry before said com-

mittee has been issued, and that the said writ of subpœna was duly personally served upon the said ———, on the ——— day of ———, A. D. 18—, and returned as provided in section one of an act entitled 'an act concerning evidence and witnesses,' approved February 3, 1857; and it further appearing by the certificate of the chairman of the said joint committee, that the said ——— has failed or neglected to appear before the said committee in obedience to the mandate of the said subpœna; *therefore*, you are hereby commanded, in the name of the State of Wisconsin, to take the body of him, the said ———, and bring him before the ———, so that he may testify and give evidence before the said committee, and answer for his contempt of the Assembly in not obeying the mandate of said subpœna. Hereof fail not.

"Given at the ——— Chamber in the city of Madison aforesaid, this ——— day of ———, A. D. 18—.

"———, (*Presiding Officer.*)

"*Chief Clerk of the* ———.

To which the return, in ordinary cases, would be:

"By virtue of the within process, I did, on the — day of —, 18—, arrest the body of ———, and took him before the committee within named, and the said ——— having refused to answer interrogatories propounded by said committee, I have him, by direction of said committee, now before the Assembly.

'Assembly Chamber, —, 18—.

"*Sergeant-at-Arms of the Assembly.*"

A resolution declaring the defaulter to be in contempt, is the next proceeding.

The following form for such resolution was used at the session of 1853:

"*Resolved*, That the neglect or failure of ———, to appear before the joint investigating committee, composed of Messrs. ———, of the Senate, and Messrs. ———, of the Assembly, in compliance with the mandate of the writ of subpœna of this Assembly, served upon him on the

— instant, as fully appears by the said writ and the affidavit of the service thereof indorsed thereon, now on file with the chief clerk of this House, be and the said neglect and failure is hereby declared a contempt of this House."

This is followed by an interrogatory, as follows:

"*Int.* 1.—Why did you not appear before the *joint* investigating committee as required by the mandate of the subpoena served upon you the — inst."

To which the defaulter pleads before judgment is inflicted.

Another form is as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the refusal of — — to answer the questions put to him by a member of the *joint* investigating committee, on the — instant, and which questions were certified to the House by — —, Chairman of said committee; and are now in writing, on file with the Chief Clerk of the House, be, and the same is hereby declared a contempt of this House."

Followed by the corresponding interrogatory:

"Why did you not answer the question put or propounded to you on the — instant, by a member of the *joint* investigating committee, of which — — is Chairman?"

In case the answer is satisfactory, the offender is discharged; if otherwise, he is punished by reprimand, fine or imprisonment, or both; but such imprisonment can not extend beyond the session of the Legislature.

The report of a committee on Investigation should consist of three parts:

1. The testimony taken.
2. A statement of the facts proven thereby, or conclusions derived therefrom.
3. Resolutions, or a bill providing for the action which the Committee deem proper to be taken in the premises.

QUORUMS.

To expel a member—

"Two thirds of all the members elected." Const., Art. IV., Sec. 8.

To do any business except to adjourn from day to day, and to compel the attendance of absent members—

"A majority." Const., Art. IV., Sec. 7.

To cause the ayes and nays on any question to be entered on the journal—

"One-sixth of those present." Const., Art. IV., Sec. 20.

To pass any bill which imposes, continues or renews a tax, or creates a debt or charge, or makes, continues or renews any appropriation of public trust money, or releases, discharges or commutes a claim or demand from the State—

"A majority of three-fifths." Const., Art. VIII., Sec. 8.

To adjourn from day to day—

"A smaller number" (than a majority). Const., Art. IV., Sec. 7.

To compel the attendance of absent members—

"A smaller number" (than a majority). Const., Art. IV., Sec. 7.

To agree to an amendment of the Constitution—

"A majority of the members elected." Const., Art. XII., Sec. 1.

To recommend a Constitutional Convention—

"A majority" (present). Const., Art. XII., Sec. 2.

To contract a public debt—

"A majority of all the members elected." Const., Art. VIII., Sec. 6.

To pass any bill, resolution or motion—

"A majority" of a quorum.

RULES OF THE LEGISLATURE.

It is much more material that there should be a rule to go by, than what that rule is; that there may be a uniformity of proceeding in business, not subject to the caprice of the speaker or captiousness of the members. It is very material that order, decency, and regularity be preserved in a dignified public body.—2 Hats., 149.

MEETING, QUORUM, PRIVILEGES, ETC.

1. The hour for the meeting of the two Houses shall be at 10 o'clock A. M., unless a different hour shall be prescribed by resolution.

2. Before proceeding to business, the roll of the members in each House shall be called, and the names of those present and those absent shall be entered on the journal. A majority of all the members elected must be present to constitute a quorum for, the transaction of business, a smaller number, however, can adjourn from time to time, and shall have power to compel the attendance of absent members.

3. No member or officer of either House, unless from illness or other cause he shall be unable to attend, shall absent himself from the session during the entire day, without first having obtained leave of absence.

4. Contestants for seats shall have the privilege of the House until their respective cases are disposed of; the privilege to extend only so far as access to the Chamber, during the time occupied in settling the contest.

WHO MAY BE ADMITTED TO THE FLOOR.

5. Persons of the following classes, and no others, shall be admitted to the floor of the two Houses during the session thereof, viz.: The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Members of the Legislature, State Officers, Regents of the University, Regents of the Normal Schools, Members of Congress, Judges of the Supreme Court and other Courts, Ex-Members of the Wisconsin Legislature, all editors of newspapers within the State, and reporters for the press, and such other persons as the Presiding officer may invite.

6. Whenever any disturbance or disorderly conduct shall occur in the lobby or gallery, the presiding officer shall have power to cause the same to be cleared of all persons except members and officers.

7. No member or officer of either House shall read newspapers within the bar of the House, nor smoke therein while in session.

PRESIDING OFFICERS.

8. The Lieutenant Governor of the State, who, by the 8th Section of the 5th Article of the Constitution, is constituted ex-officio president of the Senate, shall, when present, take the Chair at the hour fixed for the meeting of the Senate, when he shall call the Senators to order, who shall thereupon take their seats, and remain with their heads uncovered, while the Senate remains in session.

9. The Senate shall elect a President pro tempore, for the session, who shall possess all the powers and prerogatives of the President of the Senate in the absence of the President, and in the absence or inability of the President pro tem. to preside, the President shall have the right to name any Senator to perform the duties of the Chair temporarily, and who shall be invested, during such time, with all the powers of the President; but no Senator shall be excused from voting on any question by reason of his occupying the Chair; nor shall such substitute's authority as

presiding officer, except to the President pro tem., extend beyond a day's adjournment of the Senate.

10. The Assembly shall elect, viva voce, one of its members as presiding officer, who shall be styled Speaker of the Assembly, and who shall hold his office during one session.

DUTIES OF PRESIDING OFFICER.

11. It shall be the general duty of the presiding officer:

To open the session, at the time to which adjournment is taken, by taking the chair and calling the members to order;

To announce the business before the House in the order in which it is to be acted upon;

To receive and submit, in the proper manner, all motions and propositions presented by the members;

To put to vote all questions which are regularly moved, or which necessarily arise in the course of proceedings, and to announce the result;

To restrain the members while engaged in debate, within the rules of order;

To enforce on all occasions the observance of order and decorum among the members;

To inform the House, when necessary, or when referred to for that purpose, in any point of order or practice;

To receive messages and other communications from other branches of the Government, and to announce them to the House;

To authenticate by his signature, when necessary, all the acts, orders and proceedings of the House over which he presides;

To name the members, when directed to do so in a particular case, or when it is a part of his general duty by these rules, who are to serve on committees, and in general—

To represent and stand for the body over which he presides, declaring its will, and in all things obeying its com-

mands. Every officer of each House is subordinate to his presiding officer, and, in all that relates to the discharge of his several duties, is under his supervision.

12. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; may speak to points of order in preference to others, rising from his seat for that purpose; and he shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal by any member, on which appeal no member shall speak more than once, unless by leave of the House. On appeal being taken, the question shall be: "Shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the House?" which question and the action thereon, shall be entered on the journal.

13. The presiding officer may call a member to the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

14. In the absence of the presiding officer, in either House, one of the members shall be elected to preside temporarily, until the return of the regular presiding officer.

15. The Speaker of the Assembly shall vote on the call of yeas and nays, and his name shall be recorded with those of the other members.

16. The Lieutenant Governor shall not vote except in the case of a tie vote in the Senate, and he shall cast the deciding vote. See Section 8 of Article V, Constitution.

CLERKS AND THEIR DUTIES.

17. A Chief Clerk shall be elected of the Senate and Assembly respectively, at the commencement of each session, to hold his office at the pleasure of the body electing him. He shall keep a journal of the daily proceedings of the body, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him. He shall superintend the recording of the journal of the proceedings; the engrossing and enrolling of bills, resolutions, etc.; shall permit no records or papers belonging to the Legislature to be taken out of his custody, otherwise than in the regular course of business; shall report any missing papers to the notice of the presiding officer, and

generally shall perform, under direction of the presiding officer, all duties pertaining to his office as clerk, and shall be responsible for the official acts of his assistants. He shall appoint his assistants as provided by law.

18. The Chief Clerk and his engrossing clerk, in all proper cases, shall correct any mere clerical errors in any bill, memorial or resolution, such as errors in orthography, or the use of one word for another, as affect for "effect," revious for "previously," are for "is," and banks for "bank," and the like; and also all mistakes for numbering the sections and references thereto, whether such errors occur in the original bill, or are caused by amendment made thereto. It shall also be competent for the Chief Clerk at any time before the passage of any bill, to insert therein an "enacting clause," when such clause has been omitted. But no corrections, other than such as are authorized by this rule, shall be made at any time by the Clerk or his assistants, unless upon the order of the House. On questions of orthography, Webster's Unabridged Dictionary shall be taken as a standard.

19. All acts, addresses and resolutions shall be signed by the presiding officer, and all writs, warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the House shall be under his hand, and attested by the clerk.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

20. A Sergeant-at-Arms shall be elected of the Senate and Assembly respectively, at the commencement of each session, to hold his office at the pleasure of the body electing him. It shall be his duty to execute all orders of the House or its presiding officer, and to perform all the duties that may be assigned to him connected with the police and good order of the body, and to exercise a supervision over the ingress and egress of all persons to and from the chamber; to see that messages, etc., are promptly executed; that the hall is properly ventilated and is open for the use of the members from 8 A. M. until 11 P. M., and to per-

form all other services pertaining to the office of Sergeant-at-Arms.

COMMITTEES.

21. The following standing committees shall be elected by the Senate as near the commencement of the session as may be, unless otherwise directed, as follows:

A committee on Judiciary, to consist of seven members.

A committee on State Affairs, to consist of five members.

A committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to consist of five members.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of nine members.

A committee on Education, to consist of five members.

A committee on Manufactures, to consist of five members.

A committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to consist of three members.

A committee on Corporations, to consist of five members.

A committee on Town and County Organization, to consist of three members.

A committee on Public Lands, to consist of three members.

A committee on Military Affairs, to consist of five members.

A committee on Public Health Sanitation, to consist of three members.

A committee on Privileges and Elections, to consist of five members.

A committee on Legislative Expenditures, to consist of three members.

A committee on Federal Relations, to consist of three members.

A committee on Roads and Bridges, to consist of three members.

A committee on Agriculture, to consist of five members.

A committee on Engrossed Bills, five members.

A committee on Enrolled Bills, five members.

A committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to consist of five members.

The following joint committees shall be constituted as follows:

On Claims—Three from the Senate and five from the Assembly.

On Charitable and Penal Institutions—Three from the Senate and five from the Assembly.

On Printing—Two from the Senate and three from the Assembly.

On Fish and Game—Three from the Senate and five from the Assembly.

22. The standing committees of the Assembly shall be appointed by the Speaker as near the commencement of the session as possible, and shall be constituted as follows:

On Judiciary—Eleven members.

On State Affairs—Seven members.

On Finance, Banks and Insurance—Seven members.

On Railroads—Eleven members.

On Education—Seven members.

On Manufactures—Seven members.

On Assessment and Collection of Taxes—Seven members.

On Corporations—Seven members.

On Town and County Organization—Five members.

On Public Lands—Five members.

On Military Affairs—Seven members.

On Public Health and Sanitation—Five members.

On Privileges and Elections—Seven members.

On Legislative Expenditures—Five members.

On Federal Relations—Five members.

On Roads and Bridges—Five members.

On Agriculture—Seven members.

On Ways and Means—Five members.

On Lumber and Mining—Five members.

On Public Improvements—Five members

On Dairy and Food—Seven members

On Engrossed Bills—Five members

On Enrolled Bills—Five members.

On Bills on Their Third Reading—Five members.

The following joint committees shall be constituted as follows:

On Claims—Three from the Senate and five from the Assembly.

On Charitable and Penal Institutions—Three from the Senate and five from the Assembly.

On Printing—Two from the Senate and three from the Assembly.

On Fish and Game—Three from the Senate and five from the Assembly.

23. Select or special committees may be provided for on motion or by resolution, designating the number and object, and, unless otherwise ordered, shall be appointed by the presiding officer.

24. It shall be the duty of the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading to carefully examine every bill ordered to a third reading and correct any errors of orthography, grammatical construction of sentences, and any other errors in the bill, so that the real object of the bill may be clearly stated. They shall report in writing, and the amendments they propose shall be read to the House before being acted upon.

25. A majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Sub-committees, who shall report to the regular committee, may be appointed to take charge of any part of the committee's business.

26. All business referred to the committee shall be taken up and disposed of as soon as practicable, and reported to the House at as early a date as may be consistent with a careful consideration of the same.

27. All reports shall be in the following form:

The committee on to whom (was or were) referred (insert here the number and title of the bill or bills, resolutions or memorials, reported by the committee), have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with the recommendation that it do (pass, be in-

definitely postponed, referred to some other committee, etc.), or, if amended, with amendment or amendments, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

Signed:

Chairman.

28. Members dissenting from a report of a committee shall be so reported when they request it.

29. In case all the members of any committee required or entitled to report on any subject referred to them, cannot agree upon a report, the majority and minority of such committee may each make a separate report; and any member dissenting in whole or in part from the reasonings and conclusions of both majority and minority, may also present a statement for his reasons and conclusions; and all reports, if decorous in language and respectful to the House, shall be entered at length on the Journal.

30. In all cases where there shall be both majority and minority reports submitted to the House, the bill, resolution, memorial, or other matter reported upon, shall lie upon the table until the reports thereon shall have been printed in the Journal and laid upon the desks of the members.

31. Every committee, in reporting upon any bill or memorial, shall recite at length in their report, the title of such bill or memorial, as well as the number thereof.

32. No committee shall absent themselves by reason of their appointment, during the sitting of the House, without special leave, except a committee of conference.

33. All bills, resolutions, memorials, or other business, referred to a committee and reported by them to the House, shall be placed upon the calendar for the succeeding day under the order of business, "Bills ready for engrossment and third reading."

34. All bills ordered to be engrossed and read the third time, shall be carefully copied under direction of the engrossing clerk, together with all amendments adopted to

the original bill, and, by the engrossing clerk, delivered to the committee on Engrossed Bills, whose duty it shall be to carefully compare the engrossed bill and the original bill, and, if correctly engrossed, to report the same to the House.

35. Whenever a bill which is fairly written, without interlineation or erasure, is ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, without amendment, the committee on Engrossed Bills may report the same back to the House as the engrossed bill.

36. It shall be in order for the committee on Enrolled Bills to report at any time, except when a vote is being taken or a call of the House is being had.

37. No standing or select committee, or any member thereof, shall report any substitute or amendment for any bill or bills, or resolutions, referred to such committee, which substitute or amendment relates to a different subject, or is intended to accomplish a different purpose than that of the bill or resolution for which it is reported, or, if adopted and passed, would require a title essentially different from the original title of the bill or resolution. Any substitute bill or resolution so reported shall be rejected whenever the House is advised that the same is in violation of this rule. And this rule shall not be suspended without the unanimous consent of the House, and shall apply to bills or resolutions originating in either House, whether under consideration of the House in which they originated or not.

38. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment; and no bill or resolution shall at any time be amended by annexing thereto, or incorporating therein, any other bill or resolution pending before the House.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

39. The order of business in both Houses shall be as follows:

1. Call of the roll.
2. Correction of the journal. •
3. Communication to the Legislature.
4. Resolutions may be offered.
5. Introduction and reference of bills.
6. Reports of standing committees.
7. Reports of select committees.
8. Executive communications.
9. Communications from either House and action thereon.
10. Resolutions may be considered.
11. Bills ready for third reading.
12. Bills to be ordered to a third reading.
13. Bills ready for engrossment.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, ETC.

40. Petitions, memorials, communications, and other papers, addressed to either House shall be presented by a member thereof in his place; a brief statement of the contents thereof shall be endorsed thereon, together with his name, by the member introducing the same.

41. Resolutions may be offered by any member who shall endorse his name on the same. It shall then be sent to the Clerk's desk, and there read by the Clerk, and when so read shall be considered to be before the House; but it shall not be acted on the same day of which it is offered, without leave.

42. All bills and resolutions offered by any member or committee shall be endorsed by the member or committee offering the same.

43. Every bill shall receive three several readings by title except where otherwise provided previous to its passage, but no bill shall receive its second and third readings on the same day. The first reading of the bill shall be for information, and if objection be made to it, the question shall be, "Shall the bill be rejected?" If no objection be made, or the question to reject lost, the bill shall go to its second reading without further question.

On the second reading, every bill or memorial requiring three readings shall be referred to the appropriate standing committee, which shall be announced by the presiding officer, unless the House, on motion, make a different order in relation thereto; and this rule shall apply as well to bills, resolutions and memorials originating in either House.

44. All joint resolutions and all memorials, which will require the signature of the Governor, shall take the same course as to their reading and reference as bills.

45. Three hundred copies of the Assembly Journal, and every Assembly bill, and two hundred and fifty copies of the Senate Journal, and every Senate bill, shall be printed after the second reading, unless otherwise ordered. And all bills, resolutions and memorials, that shall be printed, shall remain at least one day on the files after being printed, before being considered. If the rules be suspended for the consideration of any bill, resolution, or memorial, before such bill, resolution or memorial has been printed, the same shall be read at length at least once before its final passage, and this rule shall not be suspended without the unanimous consent of the House.

46. The third reading of all bills appropriating money shall be at length, and the suspension of this rule shall not be made without the unanimous consent of the House.

47. The yeas and nays shall be called upon the passage of every bill appropriating money; a majority of three-fifths of each House being necessary to pass any bill which imposes, continues, or renews a tax, or creates a debt or charge, or makes, continues or renews any appropriation

of public trust money, or releases, discharges or commutes a claim or demand in favor of the State.

HOW BUSINESS CONDUCTED.

48. When a member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise in his place and respectfully address the chair, and upon being recognized, shall proceed, confining himself to the question under debate, avoiding personality.

49. When any two or more members shall rise at the same time, the presiding officer shall name the person who is first to speak.

50. When a member is called to order, he shall sit down, and shall not speak, except in explanation, until it shall have been determined whether or not he is in order; and if a member be called to order for words spoken, the exceptional words shall be taken down in writing, that the presiding officer may be better able to judge as to whether they are in violation of the rules.

51. No member shall speak except in his place, and not more than twice on a question, except on leave of the House. And if a question pending be lost by adjournment and revived on the succeeding day, no member who shall have spoken twice on the preceding day shall be permitted again to speak without leave of the House.

52. While the presiding officer is addressing the House, or submitting a question, no member shall cross the floor, or leave the House; nor while a member is speaking, walk between him and the chair.

53. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except:

1. To adjourn;
2. To lay on the table;
3. For the previous question;
4. To postpone to a day certain;
5. To commit to a standing committee;
6. To commit to a select committee;
7. To amend;
8. To postpone indefinitely.

These several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged in this rule.

54. A motion to lay on the table shall only have the effect of disposing of the matter temporarily and may be taken from the table at any time by order of the House.

55. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall be considered equivalent to a motion to indefinitely postpone.

56. A motion to adjourn, to take a recess, to lay on the table, and a call for the previous question, shall be decided without debate. And all incidental questions of order, arising after a motion is made for either of the questions named in this rule, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate.

57. A motion to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to postpone indefinitely, being decided shall not be again allowed on the same day, and at the same stage of a bill or proposition.

58. When a motion is made, it shall be stated by the presiding officer, or read by the clerk, previous to debate. If any members require it, all motions, except to adjourn, postpone, or commit, shall be reduced to writing. Any motion may be withdrawn by consent of the House before division or amendment.

59. All questions shall be put in this form: "Those who are of the opinion that the bill pass, be concurred in, etc. (as the case may be) say, aye. Those of contrary opinion say, no;" and in doubtful cases any member may call for a division.

60. The yeas and nays shall be ordered when demanded by one-sixth of the members present. In recording the votes taken by yeas and nays, the clerk shall report those absent or not voting.

61. Every member present when a question is put, or when his name is called, shall vote, unless the House shall, for a special cause, excuse him, but it shall not be in order for a member to be excused after the House has commenced voting.

62. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehend propositions, in substance so distinct, that one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the House. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible, but a motion to strike out being lost, shall preclude neither amendment nor a motion to strike out and insert.

63. In filling blanks the largest sum and the longest time shall be first submitted.

64. In all cases when the Assembly is equally divided the question shall be lost.

65. When a motion or question shall have been once determined, either in the affirmative or negative, it shall always be in order for any member of the majority, or when the House is equally divided, for any member who voted in the negative to move for a reconsideration thereof, on the same or succeeding day. A motion to reconsider being put and lost shall not be renewed. A motion to reconsider may be made within the time specified, and consideration of the same be postponed to some future time, by order of the House.

66. No member or other person shall visit or remain by the Clerk's table while the yeas and nays are being called.

CALL OF THE HOUSE.

67. Five Senators, or fifteen members of the Assembly, may make a call of the House and require absent members to be sent for, but a call of the House cannot be made after the voting has commenced.

68. On a call of the House being moved, the presiding officer shall say: "It requiring (if the call be moved in the Senate, five Senators, or if in the Assembly, fifteen members) to make a call of the House, those in favor of the call will rise." And if a sufficient number shall rise, the call shall be thereby ordered.

69. A call of the House being ordered, the Sergeant-at-

Arms shall close the doors, and no member shall be allowed to leave the room.

70. The Clerk shall immediately call the roll of members, and note the absentees, whose names shall be read, and entered upon the Journal in such manner as to show who are absent with leave, and who are absent without leave. The Clerk shall furnish the Sergeant-at-Arms with a list of those who are absent without leave, and the Sergeant-at-Arms shall forthwith proceed to find and bring in such absentees.

71. While the House is under a call, no business shall be transacted, except to receive and act on the report of the Sergeant-at-Arms; and no other motion shall be in order, except a motion to adjourn, and a motion to suspend further proceedings under the call, which motions shall be determined by yeas and nays; and the motion to suspend further proceedings under the call shall not be adopted, unless a majority of all the members elect vote in favor thereof. A majority of those present may adjourn, but upon re-convening, the House shall not be considered to be under the call, but a call of the House may be again ordered in the same manner as above described.

72. When the Sergeant-at-Arms shall make a report showing that all who were absent without leave (naming them) are present, such report shall be entered on the Journal, and the call shall be at an end; and thereupon the doors shall be open and the business pending when the call was made shall be proceeded with.

73. The Sergeant-at-Arms may make a report of his proceedings at any time, which report may be accepted, and further proceedings under the call thereby dispensed with; but the motion to accept such report shall be determined by yeas and nays, and it shall not be adopted unless a majority of all the member elect of the House shall vote in favor thereof. If such report be not accepted, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall proceed to a completion of his duties as required by rule number 69.

PREVIOUS QUESTION.

74. When any bill, memorial or resolution is under consideration, any member being in order and having the floor, may move the "previous question," but such motion must be seconded by at least five Senators or fifteen members of the Assembly.

75. The previous question being moved, the presiding officer shall say: "It requiring (five Senators or fifteen members of the Assembly, as the case may be) to second the motion for the previous question, those in favor of sustaining the motion will rise?" And if a sufficient number rise, the previous question shall be thereby seconded, and the question shall then be: "Shall the main question be now put?" which question shall be determined by the yeas and nays. The main question being ordered to be now put, its effect shall be to put an end to all debate, and bring the House to a direct vote upon the pending amendments, if there be any, and then upon the main question.

76. When on taking the previous question, the House shall decide that the main question shall not now be put, the main question shall remain as the question before the House, in the same stage of proceedings as before the previous question was moved.

77. On motion for the previous question, and prior to the ordering of the main question, one call of the House shall be in order; but after proceedings under such call shall have been once dispensed with, or after a majority shall have ordered the main question, no call shall be in order prior to the decision of such question.

AMENDMENTS.

78. Amendments may be offered to any bill, resolution or memorial, and acted upon before they are ordered engrossed for third reading; but no amendment shall be considered after a bill has been ordered engrossed, except by unanimous consent of the members present.

Amendments reported by committees shall be acted upon by the House in the same manner as though offered from the floor. On an amendment being moved, a member who has spoken to the main question may speak again to the amendment.

79. No amendment shall be considered in order that will totally alter the nature of the original bill, resolution or memorial; and the presiding officer shall rule as to the admissibility of amendments where the question is raised as to whether or not they do materially alter the original proposition.

80. Amendments proposed by a committee, or by a member of either House, shall be reduced to writing and state clearly and definitely the object which they seek to accomplish. They shall be read by the Clerk, and stated by the presiding officer to the House before being acted upon.

81. A bill, resolution or memorial may be re-committed at any time previous to its passage. If any amendment be reported by the committee to which the bill was re-committed, the question shall be upon the amendment, or amendment to amendment, if any be offered from the floor; and if adopted, the question for its engrossment and third reading shall then be put.

82. Every bill, resolution or memorial, ordered to be engrossed and read the third time, shall be re-written in a plain hand, with all amendments agreed to, adopted and incorporated in the bill, before being read a third time, except such bills as are fairly written, without interlineation or erasure. Upon the third reading of the bill, the question shall be stated thus: "This bill having been read three several times, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?'" or "be concurred in" as the case may be.

83. Each bill which passes its third reading shall be certified by the Clerk of the House passing it, and by him transmitted to the other House. The day of transmission shall be entered on the bill books of the Clerk.

84. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order except when the House is voting; but this rule shall not authorize

any member to move an adjournment when another member has the floor. Any motion or resolution relating to the organization of either House, or to any of its officers, members, or committees, shall be privileged and need not lie over for consideration.

85. No standing rule or order shall be rescinded or changed without one day's notice being given for the motion therefor, which motion shall embrace the proposed amendment. These rules shall not be rescinded or changed except by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members present, unless there be unanimous consent for the suspension of the same. The vote shall be taken by yeas and nays.

86. Whenever by joint resolution of the two Houses, any bill or resolution shall have been recalled from the Governor for further consideration, said bill or resolution shall be deemed to be before the House for its action thereon, and may be reconsidered or otherwise acted upon; provided such bill or resolution shall have been actually returned to and be before the House when such action shall be taken.

87. The Chief Clerk of the Senate and Assembly respectively, and Sergeant-at-Arms of each House, shall certify to the Secretary of State the names of all persons employed in their respective departments, the capacity in which employed, and the amount respectively due them, which certificate shall be approved by the presiding officer of the House in which they are employed.

88. After a bill has passed both Houses, it shall be duly enrolled by, or under the direction of, the Chief Clerk for the House in which the same originated before it shall be presented to the Governor for his approval. When a bill is duly enrolled, it shall be carefully compared by the comparing clerks, after which it shall be delivered by the enrolling clerk to the chairman of the committee on Enrolling Bills, which committee shall carefully compare the enrolled bill with the engrossed bill as passed in the two Houses; said committee shall cause the enrolling clerk to

correct any error that may be discovered in the enrolled bill, and when perfect shall make their report forthwith to the House.

SIGNING OF BILLS.

89. When a bill shall have been duly reported as correctly enrolled, it shall be the duty of the Chief Clerk of the House in which it originated to present the bill, first, to the presiding officer of the House in which it originated, and next, to the presiding officer of the other House, for their signatures, which duty shall be performed at as early an hour as possible.

90. After a bill shall have been signed by the respective presiding officers of the two Houses, it shall be presented by the Chief Clerk of the House in which it originated, to the Governor, in the Executive Chamber, for his approval; it being first indorsed on the back of the bill, certifying in which House the same originated, which certificate shall be signed by the Chief Clerk of such House. In case the bill was passed by the ayes and nays being taken thereon, the number of affirmative and negative votes in each House shall be indorsed on the back of the bill. The Governor shall within the Constitutional time return the same to the House with a message indicating his approval or disapproval of the bill.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE.

91. In all cases of disagreement between the Senate and Assembly on amendments, adopted by either House, to a bill, memorial or resolution, passed by the other House, a committee of conference consisting of 3 members from each House may be requested by either House, and the other House shall appoint a similar committee. The usual manner of procedure is as follows: The Senate, for instance, passes a bill and it is duly messaged to the Assembly, which body adopts an amendment to the bill and concurs in it as amended, returning the same, with record

of the action of the Assembly, to the Senate; the Senate refuses to concur in the Assembly amendment and so notifies the Assembly; the Assembly adheres to its amendment and asks for a committee of conference, and appoints such committee on the part of the Assembly, and this action is reported to the Senate, whereupon, a like committee is appointed by the Senate. The joint committee shall, at a convenient hour agreed upon, meet and state to each other, verbally or in writing, the reason of their respective Houses for, or against the disagreement, and confer thereon, and shall report to their respective Houses such agreement as they may arrive at, if any, and if not the fact of a disagreement. The House having possession of the bill at the time the conference report is made, shall first act upon such report, if an agreement is reported, and duly message the same to the other House, together with the bill, which, if the conference report be concurred in and the bill concurred in as amended, shall be the bill that is finally passed.

92. All bills, resolutions and memorials, which are to be presented to the Governor for his approval, shall, also in the same manner be previously examined, enrolled and signed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

93. These rules may be suspended by either House by vote of two-thirds of the members present thereof, for action on any bill, resolution, or memorial without the concurrence of the other House, but no change or previous suspension of the same can be made except by concurrence of the other House.

94. Members may pair on any question pending in either House by filing a statement of the same with the Chief Clerk, who shall read the same to the House before the vote is taken.

95. The title to all bills appropriating money shall state that fact in addition to the general purpose of the bill.

A BOOK FOR ENROLLED BILLS TO BE KEPT BY EACH HOUSE.

96. It shall be the duty of the Chief Clerk of each House to keep a Senate and Assembly book of enrolled bills in which shall be accurately minuted the exact time at which each bill or resolution (indicating it by its number) was presented to the presiding officer of each House for signature, and to the Governor for his approval. Such book shall always be open for inspection, and shall be deposited with the Secretary of State, to be preserved by him, at the close of the session. The books shall be substantially in the following form:

SENATE BILLS PRESENTED FOR SIGNATURE AND APPROVAL.

No. of Bill.	Presented to President.		Presented to Speaker.		Presented to Governor.	
	Date.	Hour.	Date.	Hour.	Date.	Hour.
No. 1, S.	Feb. 14.	9, A. M.	Feb. 15.	10, A. M.	Feb. 15.	12, P. M.

And a like book for bills originating in the Assembly shall be kept by the Chief Clerk thereof.

OF CLAIMS.

ACCOUNTS TO BE VERIFIED.

97. No account presented shall be acted upon, unless verified by affidavit of the person in whose favor the same may be.

ALL PAPERS CLAIMING MONEY TO BE PRESERVED.

98. All petitions, claims, bills, accounts, or demands asking for an appropriation of money, shall be preserved by the committee to whom the same may be referred; and such committee shall indorse on every such petition, claim, bill, account or demand, whether they report in favor of

allowing or disallowing the same; and if in favor of allowing a part thereof, only, then the sum so reported. After such committee shall have reported upon the same, such petition, claim, bill, account or demand, and every one of them shall be delivered to the Chief Clerk of the House to which the same was first presented, to be filed with such Clerk, and delivered, at the close of the session, to the Secretary of State.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.

99. In Joint Committees, standing or select, the chairman of the Senate Committee shall be chairman of the Joint Committee.

JOINT CONVENTION.

100. Whenever there shall be a Joint Convention of the two Houses, the proceedings shall be entered at length upon the Journal of each House. The Lieutenant-Governor or President of the Senate shall preside over such Joint Convention, and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly shall act as Clerk thereof, assisted by the Chief Clerk of the Senate; *provided*, that the Lieutenant-Governor shall not act in said convention except as the presiding officer, and in no case shall have the right to give the casting vote.

101. The rules of parliamentary practice, comprised in Jefferson's Manual, shall be the standard in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these rules.

ADJOURNMENT.

102. Neither house shall adjourn during any session thereof, without the consent of the other, for a longer period than three days.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The assembly took a recess until 3 o'clock p. m.

3 O'Clock P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. Houser, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has organized by the election of L. W. Thayer, president pro tem., Walter L. Houser, chief clerk, and Charles Pettibone, sergeant-at-arms, and is now ready to proceed to business.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 1, S.,

Directing the superintendent of public property to furnish certain books,

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Appointing committee to wait on the governor.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. Nos. 1 and 2, S.,

Were concurred in.

The speaker appointed on behalf of the assembly, pursuant to Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Messrs. Ray, Harvey and Lange.

DRAWING OF SEATS.

On motion, the following gentlemen were allowed to select their seats without drawing:

Messrs. Hall, Parker, Mosher, Lange, Hoyt, Sether, Borchsenius, Buttles, Edwards and Risum.

The drawing of seats resulted as follows:

Ackermann	32
Agen	76
Anson	48
Barnum	58
Beach	45
Bechtel	64
Borchsenius	96
Buckstaff	

Buffington	11
Bullard	56
Burnham	70
Buttles	80
Cashin	66
Church	27
Clack	42
Clark	74
Clason	83
Connors	4
Davidson	54
Dresser	51
Eaton	17
Edwards	88
Feige	9
Flagg	84
Flett	73
Fogo	37
Frink	68
Froehlich	39
Gawin	67
Goodell	47
Hall	25
Harvey	24
Hindes	33
Hogan	19
Hoyt	14
Hughes	85
Hurd	72
Hurlbut	28
Jensen	90
Jones, D. F.	81
Jones, W. A.	29
Klabunde	8
Kraus	35
Lange	65
Latta	18
Legried	5
Lewis	23
Maertz	61
Marsh	22
Merrill	87
Merriman	2
McDonald	44
McGrath	92
Minch	60

Morgan	30
Mosher	94
Niss	6
Olson	97
Overbeck	41
Parker	93
Peterson	91
Pierce	3
Plummer	36
Polacheck	69
Polley	20
Pratt.....	55
Ray	46
Reinholdt.....	79
Reynolds.....	26
Risum	95
Rosenkrans	49
Rutherford.....	100
Schellenberg.....	62
Sether.....	89
Sheffer	98
Sieker.....	31
Smith, D. K.....	16
Smith, J. J.....	78
Stanley.....	10
Staples.....	59
Stone	32
Sweeting.....	38
Taylor.....	53
Thomas	12
Thompson	15
Treat	13
True	43
Tucker	21
Utt.....	50
Webster	82
Weich.....	77
Wheeler	99
White.....	75
Wipperman	57
Wolff	34
Woltinger	63
Woller	71
Wolter	40
Wylie.....	86
Yorkey.....	7

At 4 o'clock p. m. a recess of fifteen minutes duration was taken.

On call to order by the speaker the acting chief clerk announced a call for a joint caucus of the republican members of the senate and assembly for the purpose of nominating a candidate for United States senator, to be held in the assembly chamber at 8 o'clock p. m., January 13th.

Mr. Ray on the part of the assembly committee to wait upon his excellency, the governor, submitted the following report:

The joint committee appointed to wait upon his excellency, the governor, and inform him that the legislature was organized and ready for business, beg to report that they have performed that duty and were informed by his excellency that he would have the pleasure of communicating his annual message to the legislature through the chief clerk of each body at 10 o'clock a. m., to-morrow.

C. H. BAXTER,
S. F. MAYER,
GEO. H. RAY,
L. C. HARVEY,
L. A. LANGE.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,

The assembly adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

THURSDAY, JAN. 14, 1897.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The oath of office was administered to W. A. Nowell, chief clerk, by the speaker.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Shaffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—100.

The journal of yesterday was approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

The following message from the governor was read by the chief clerk.

To the Honorable the Legislature:

The constitution directs that the governor shall communicate to the legislature at every session the condition of the state and recommend such matters to them for their consideration as he may deem expedient.

Before proceeding to perform this duty, I desire to congratulate you and the people of the state upon the fact that, notwithstanding the severe financial and industrial crisis through which the country has passed since 1893, Wisconsin has not suffered greatly.

Our state possesses so great a variety of resources, and the character of our population is such, that no ordinary disturbance in the industrial world can seriously affect us. While we have felt, therefore, the stringent times, and while many people within the state are out of employment and many industries idle, we are suffering much less than some of our sister states—a fact for which we should be profoundly grateful.

There will be submitted to you the reports of the various state officers and the heads of departments, each of which contains recommendations for the improvement of the public service. These reports will, I have no doubt, receive the careful attention which they deserve.

The trust imposed upon your honorable body, as one of the branches of the state government, is a highly important one. Each member of the legislature is chosen, not especially to represent his own section, but rather as a representative of the state and its varied interests. Upon each member, therefore, rests the responsibility of furthering those interests which affect the welfare of the entire state.

FINANCES.

The financial system of our state is one of the simplest that has been conceived for meeting the wants of a large and growing commonwealth. It is, though simple, adequate to meet all the claims upon it, and we have the pleasing fact to record that, in the framing of laws and the planning for the state's welfare, but little attention is required to be given to financial plans.

I append herewith a statement of the condition of the state funds on December 31, 1896:

CONDITION OF FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 1896.

General fund.....	\$8,140 09
School fund.....	660 65
School fund income.....	47,773 45
University fund.....	30,478 09
Agricultural college fund	67,267 83
Normal School fund	72,849 34
Drainage fund	6,875 75
Indemnity fund	774 00
Delinquent tax fund.....	344 53
Deposit fund	10,748 01
Redemption fund.....	186 46
St. Croix deposit fund.....	408 02
Wis. R. R. F. M. Land Co. fund	4,446 64
Columbia and Sauk indemnity fund.....	4,418 92
Allotment.....	916 54
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Cash on hand	\$256,288 32

GENERAL FUND INVESTMENTS.

Loan to State Agricultural Society.....	\$30,000 00
Mortgage on state fair grounds (taken from E. C. McPetridge).....	47,782 03
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Total	<u>\$77,782 03</u>

OTHER FUND INVESTMENTS.

School fund, bonds and loans.....	\$2,973,369 81
University funds, loans.....	192,250 00
Agricultural college fund, loans	188,059 73
Normal school fund, loans	1,813,293 82
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Total.....	<u>\$5,166,973 36</u>

The balance remaining unexpended in the governor's contingent fund at 12 o'clock on January 4 was \$855.79.

The greater portion of the state's income for general expenditures is derived from the railways. For the fiscal year ending December 30, 1896, the receipts from the four per cent. tax upon the gross earnings of the railways, which is laid in lieu of other taxation, amounted to \$1,172,742.12. The total of expenditures from the general fund for the same period was \$2,111,370.51. The unfavorable financial and business conditions which have existed since 1893 have seriously reduced the earnings of the railway companies operating within the state, and in consequence thereof the revenues of the state have fallen off. With a return of normal conditions the revenue of the state from the railways will be restored; and the completion of the new lines and extensions already begun give promise of an increased revenue to the state, as well as the opening up of territory heretofore not accessible to settlers.

RAILROADS.

The railroads of the state are closely identified with the development of our agricultural, commercial, manufacturing and other interests. Farmers, merchants, manufacturers, miners and all classes of our people come daily into business relations with them, and it is a cause for congratulation that the relations existing between the twenty or more railroad companies doing business within our borders and the people of the state are so generally harmonious.

EDUCATIONAL.

The character of its common schools is the standard by which any commonwealth is best judged. The school system of Wisconsin may well bring pride and satisfaction to her citizens. The foundation of the system was laid in the constitution, and its present perfection is due to many years of intelligent legislation, to the earnest interest of the people, and to the able and patriotic efforts of those who give their lives to the great work of popular education. It is by far the most important interest for which the legislature is called upon to make provision. Something of the claims of the schools upon your attention from the purely monetary side of the question will be understood when it is stated that the total disbursements for the common schools during the year ending June 30, 1896, were \$5,318,106.16; that the total number of persons of school age reported for the year ending June 30, 1896, was 684,890; that the total number of scholars for the same year was 412,687; that the number of teachers employed in the state during the same time was 12,334, and that there are 192 free high schools in the state, which employ 672 principals and assistant teachers, at an annual compensation of \$314,209 97.

No educational factor has been more potent in making the school life attractive to the children and enlarging the scope of their intellectual training than the excellent books to which access is furnished through the medium of the township library. The state superintendent is invested with the administration of the township library law, and his recommendations for further legislation to increase the efficiency of the library and to accomplish the observance of the law in every town in the state are entitled to careful consideration.

I recommend that the legislature take the preliminary steps toward amending the constitution so that provision may be made by statute for paying the state superintendent of public instruction a salary commensurate with the dignity and importance of his office. An amendment of this character was voted upon at the last general election and defeated. The merit of the proposition is so obvious and the present situation so unsatisfactory as to warrant the belief that the defeat of the

amendment was due to the absorption of popular thought by the momentous issues of the campaign. Under the constitution the superintendent is receiving the meager salary of \$1,200. I cannot believe the people of this state desire a continuance of the present situation.

In his report, which will be laid before you, the state superintendent of public instruction has made a number of important recommendations and suggestions with a view to promoting the efficiency of the schools. These recommendations should be carefully considered.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

It is a cause for congratulation that our state university stands to-day in the front rank of the higher educational institutions of the country, and that each year it has been enabled, through the liberal provision made by the legislature, to keep pace in its progress with the rapid development and improvement in higher educational methods. Each succeeding year shows a larger attendance in the various departments, and the percentage of attendance from our own state shows a very marked increase during the past few years. This latter fact is particularly gratifying as indicating that the advantages offered are coming to be better appreciated by those who are the chief contributors to the support of the institution.

The needs of the university I am sure will receive the consideration which they merit.

The agricultural college of the university in its development has kept up with the progress of the other departments, and the effect of its work is plainly to be seen in improved methods, greater diversification of crops, and relatively larger profits in the agricultural pursuits in our state. The importance and value of the work being done in this department is more directly noticeable, perhaps, than the work of any of the other departments. The special needs of the agricultural college should be carefully considered.

THE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The completion of the building and the opening of the new normal school at Superior gives the state seven normal schools of high character and excellent equipment. The prosperity of these schools: judged by the attendance, must be very gratifying to every person interested in educational matters. No state in the Union offers better advantages to those who desire to equip themselves for the honorable profession of teaching than does our own state, and this is shown by the fact that in each one of our normal schools there are many students from other states. The needs of these schools in the way of appropriations are well known, and I am sure the high standard and efficiency

of the schools will not be lessened by a failure to make the proper provision for their support.

THE HISTORICAL LIBRARY.

The legislature of 1895 made an appropriation for the erection of an historical library building, in which to preserve the valuable collections of the state historical society. This appropriation was made in view of the fact that the collections of the historical society, many of which are rare and could not be replaced if destroyed, were in their present location in the capitol building thought to be liable at any time to be destroyed by fire, and because it was feared that the enormous weight of the society's library and collections upon the upper floors of the south wing might endanger the walls of the building. An additional appropriation is necessary to complete this structure. To leave it as it is would entail a loss upon the state. I recommend, therefore, that an appropriation sufficient to complete the historical library building be made.

CHARITABLE AND PENAL INSTITUTIONS.

The report of the legislative visiting committee, which will be laid before you, calls attention to the urgent need for more prison room in the state. In this connection I desire to call to your attention the necessity for the establishment of some sort of an intermediate prison, to which first offenders may be sent. In spite of the greatest care which can be given by the prison authorities, it is impossible, in a state prison like ours, where no distinction is made between inmates who are first offenders and those who are known to be hardened criminals, to reach reformatory results, which should be one of the chief objects of imprisonment. The crowded condition of the prison at Waupun makes clear the necessity for either building an addition to the present prison, or the erection of a new prison. The situation, therefore, forces a consideration and determination of this question of an intermediate prison for first offenders and young convicts who are not yet beyond the age when they can be reformed. Some division and classification of criminals is urgently needed from a humanitarian point of view. Our state can ill afford to allow its penal institutions to become schools of crime rather than places of reformation. In its report but recently published, the state board of control says upon this subject:

"The board renews the recommendations of previous reports for a reformatory for first offenders. In spite of the reforms which have been wrought in prison discipline, the criminal who has been apprehended by the officers of justice for the first time is thrown into contact more or less closely with offenders to whom the practice of crime has become a life profession. His term of

imprisonment is usually a short one, but it is long enough to permit of a schooling in which he shall learn new methods of depredation and new artifices of concealment. Society seems to be educating him at its own expense to acquire a skill whereby he can more effectually prey upon the honest. Economic considerations—from the narrowest monetary aspect of the question to the most advanced penological conclusion—call for a separation of first offenders from habitual criminals, and this can be accomplished only when an institution is provided for the less burdened class."

HOME FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

The new home for the feeble-minded at Chippewa Falls, for the erection of which the last legislature provided, is about completed. No provision has been made for the furnishing of the buildings, and in order that this new charity shall be made available at once, I recommend that an appropriation be made for this purpose.

PRISON LABOR.

The competition in the sale of products manufactured by convict labor in the state prison with the same products manufactured throughout the state gives rise in some quarters to an increasing complaint. This is not peculiar to Wisconsin, but the subject is receiving a great deal of attention throughout the country. It is not necessary for me to point out the injustice growing out of compelling honest labor to compete with the forced labor of convicts. But the subject is a complicated one, involving various considerations of great importance, and deserves the utmost investigation and thought.

Among the things to be considered as involved in the question of prison labor are the necessity for so directing the employment of convicts confined in the various penal institutions as that each convict, when his term of sentence expires, may have learned some trade, or otherwise have fitted himself for earning an honorable living; the necessity dictated by humane impulses for giving employment to convicts rather than allowing them to be idle; and the importance to the taxpayer of making criminals self-supporting rather than a perpetual burden upon the state. The first of these is the most important. An attempt has been made in New York to solve this difficult problem by a constitutional provision, and the laws of that state may well be considered by your honorable body when the subject comes before you.

While considering the effect of convict-labor competition in our own state prison with products manufactured in the state, it may not be unwise to consider whether legislation should not be enacted to protect the manufacturers and labor of the

state against competition with similar products made by the convicts of other states.

The legislature of New York in 1894 passed an act upon the subject which required "all goods, wares and merchandise made by convict labor in any penitentiary, prison, reformatory or other establishment in which convict labor is employed, in any state except the state of New York, shall, before being exposed for sale, be branded, labeled or marked as hereinafter provided, and shall not be exposed for sale in any place within this state without such brand, label or mark." The remaining sections of the act deal with details, and prescribe a severe penalty for violation of its provisions.

As the act deals with interstate commerce, it goes as far, probably, as the legislature can lawfully go in the exercise of the police power of the state.

I recommend the investigation by your body, either through one of your committees or through the board of control, of the results of the system adopted in New York and other states. Such an investigation may very well be fruitful of good results. I commend the whole matter to your best thought and attention.

THE SUBJECT OF PARDONS.

The applications for pardons and commutations have so multiplied as to render it difficult for the executive, with the other duties devolving upon him, to give to each case the investigation and consideration which the exercise of so delicate and great a power demands. With the lapse of years and increase of population, it is not likely that these applications will diminish either in number or importance.

The "power to grant reprieves, commutations and pardons after conviction, for all offenses except treason and cases of impeachment," is lodged by the constitution solely in the executive. Of course, this power cannot be lawfully delegated to any other person or tribunal without amendment of the constitution.

I am constrained, therefore, to urge upon your consideration the wisdom of so amending the constitution as to create a board of pardons, in which, in conjunction with the executive, or otherwise, this power shall be lodged.

THE QUESTION OF APPORTIONMENT.

It has seemed to me to be my duty to suggest for your earnest consideration whether the constitution should not be amended so as to more clearly define the rules which shall govern the legislature in apportioning and redistricting the state into senate and assembly districts. I have no reason whatever to doubt that the present law is a constitutional one, but the manner in which this important duty has been performed by the legislature

has given rise, during the last few years, to litigation, to threats of litigation, and to charges and counter-charges, for which there should be no possible justification.

The supreme court, in decisions overturning two legislative apportionments as unconstitutional, has laid down the general rules governing the performance of such duty; but under the constitution, even as so construed, much is of necessity left to legislative discretion.

There is no power conferred by the constitution upon any one of the branches of the government of greater or more far reaching importance than the legislative power of apportioning and redistricting the state. However carefully such a measure may be prepared, it is, so far as experience has shown, too much to expect that a majority or more of one hundred and thirty-three persons, whatever political party they may belong to, will be able to consider it and enact it uninfluenced by partisan bias, local interest or selfish purpose.

The new constitution of New York, carefully considered and adopted by a convention composed of many men of great experience and ability, contains some instructive provisions upon the subject, and the system adopted in Ohio may be consulted with advantage. It certainly is possible to so amend the constitution as to minimize the difficulties which now beset the work of apportionment. This is important, both to conserve a great popular right and to prevent a growing popular distrust in the constitutionality and integrity of legislative action upon the subject, caused by these constantly recurring controversies.

Certainly no political party should be permitted to take to itself any advantage or power at the expense of the great principle of proportionate representation in the legislature, which underlies our system of government.

A LAW COMMISSION.

I know something of the large amount of work which devolves upon this body and the manner in which, especially toward the close of the session, its various committees are burdened. It is this condition of affairs which makes possible the criticism frequently made, that under the severe pressure of work laws are enacted which may not only be out of harmony, but many times in actual conflict, with statutes already in existence, and of a character to increase litigation at public and private expense, and to foster a sense of instability in the law. I suggest, therefore, that you consider the question of appointing a commission of trained men whose duty it shall be, when measures have passed to that stage before your body where their final enactment is virtually assured, to pass upon the validity of the measures and make recommendations, when necessary, to bring measures into harmony with existing statutes.

PUBLIC LANDS.

I am advised by the commissioners of public lands that the work of completing the swamp-land record and the other work in connection with the public lands has so far progressed that the force of this office can be largely decreased.

In my opinion a wise economy would seem to dictate that the uncompleted work of the land office might properly be committed to one of the other departments of the state government, supervision, of course, remaining in the hands of the three commissioners provided for by the constitution of the state, and if no legal obstruction interposes, I recommend that the legislature take action looking to this end.

THE STATE SERVICE.

In this connection I recommend that an effort be made to regulate and bring under some system the state service in the different departments in the capitol building. It is the general impression that this service can be improved, and a large saving effected by some kind of classification of the employes of the various departments. No state officer, or head of any department, should have unlimited authority to employ clerks and other subordinates. A classification of the employes, fixing the salaries and limiting the number to the actual need of each department, would, I have no doubt, increase the efficiency of the service, and result in a material saving to the taxpayers.

There will undoubtedly come before this session of your honorable body measures looking to the extension of the civil service system in different cities in the state. There is throughout the country, and especially noticeable in our own state, a desire for an improvement of the present system. Any measure looking to that end, while its scope cannot be clearly defined in this communication, should not be extended beyond a point where it will receive the hearty support of the public. I have no doubt that you in your wisdom will be able to mark the proper limits of such measures.

REVISED STATUTES.

By a law passed in 1895, Messrs. A. L. Sanborn and J. R. Berryman were appointed a committee to prepare and report to this legislature bills for the correction of such errors, and to harmonize such discrepancies, in the statutes as might be deemed advisable, together with such additional sections as were proper to carry out the general design and spirit of the statutes. These gentlemen have completed their work and have prepared a bill which will be submitted to you. The re-

vision, correction and simplification of the statutes is a highly important work, and this bill will no doubt receive the careful attention which it deserves.

PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

There is a very general interest in the subject of road improvement throughout Wisconsin, and it is not unlikely that measures looking toward the improvement of country roads may come before you. This is a subject in which the agricultural element of our population is especially interested, and should measures be presented to you they will, I have no doubt, receive the careful attention they deserve.

STATE BOARD OF ARBITRATION.

The legislature of 1895 passed a law creating a state board of arbitration and conciliation, whose duty was defined to be the reconciliation of differences between employers and employees and the prevention of strikes and other labor troubles.

The report of this board will be laid before you, and from it you will learn that the board has accomplished a great deal during its short existence. The experience of two years has shown that the law should be amended in some particulars so as to increase the efficiency of the board. This report will be printed, and as it contains much that would be of service to both employer and employe, provision may well be made for some adequate distribution of it. It is a subject of the highest importance, and deserves, as I know it will receive, your earnest consideration.

INSURANCE CODE.

At the last session of the legislature a law was passed creating a commission to prepare an insurance code for the state. The commission appointed consists of the Hon. W. A. Fricke, insurance commissioner of the state, the Hon. Emil Baensch, lieutenant governor, and the Hon. M. C. Phillips, of Oshkosh. This commission has completed its work and the result will be laid before you.

Among the important things recommended in the new code is that the duties of the commissioner of insurance be clearly defined, and that every fee and perquisite heretofore received by that official be eliminated, so that the only compensation will be the salary.

The subject of fire and life insurance is of great and increasing importance to the people, and I commend the commission's report to your best consideration and attention.

THE DAIRY INDUSTRY.

The stringent law prohibiting the manufacture of spurious dairy products in our state has had a salutary effect. In his report, which will be laid before you, the state dairy and food commissioner suggests some changes to make the law more effective. The law has proven to be so beneficent in its workings that I have no doubt you will view favorably any effort to increase its good results.

THE NATIONAL GUARD.

The national guard of Wisconsin has reached a plane of efficiency never before equaled in its history. It is to-day probably the best equipped and trained body of state militia to be found in the country. This high standard, which has been reached only by the most careful attention and wise management, should be maintained, and the necessary provision for its maintenance should be made by your honorable body. In his annual report, which will be submitted to you, the adjutant-general makes some important recommendations which should receive your thoughtful attention.

SOLDIERS' MONUMENTS.

The commission appointed by the legislature of 1895 to select sites and erect monuments to Wisconsin troops who took part in the battle of Chickamauga has completed its work, and its report has been filed. It is but just to say of this commission that it has succeeded in erecting what are conceded to be the most attractive monuments on the field of Chickamauga; and yet it has been able to keep far within the amount appropriated for the purpose. There still remains of the appropriation the sum of \$4,792.51. By the provisions of the law the commission is not authorized to expend this money for any purpose but that specified. The commission recommends that it be authorized to expend the balance of the fund in the erection of a monument to the Wisconsin regiments which participated in the battle of Mission Ridge. The suggestion needs no argument to sustain it. I cordially approve the recommendation that the unexpended balance of the appropriation be used in the erection of the additional monument.

BANKS AND BANKING.

The existing banking code of Wisconsin is utterly inadequate to meet the requirements of the banking business of the present day. It does not sufficiently protect the people, nor does it throw around the business itself those safeguards which are calcu-

lated to secure the best results, and is quite out of harmony with the most approved methods of modern banking.

There should be a careful and immediate revision of our banking law, by the aid of a commission or otherwise. The legislature of Michigan has a banking code which may be worthy of your consideration. It is modeled upon the admirable national banking system. Such a measure must, under the constitution, be submitted to a vote of the people. I recommend that action be taken upon it at this session if it be found practicable.

I think in the existing situation that the duty and responsibility of examining into the condition of the state banks should be placed upon the state treasurer, who was by a vote of the people substituted for the bank comptroller when that office was abolished. It is the clear intent of the banking law that thereafter the state treasurer should stand in the relation to the state banks which had been occupied by the bank comptroller. It is a matter of grave doubt whether it is in harmony with the law adopted by the people, that the work of supervision of the banks, so elaborately provided for by chapter 291 of the laws of 1895, should be intrusted to an officer appointed by the state treasurer with the approval of the governor, and who is to report entirely to the governor. The law seems to be drawn upon the theory that it is the state treasurer's business under the banking code so far that it would not be lawful to authorize the appointment of a bank examiner without his intervention. The theory seems to be all right, but the law should otherwise conform to it. I recommend that the duties of bank examiner be delegated to the state treasurer, and that he be empowered to appoint a competent deputy for the purpose who shall report directly to him. This would involve vastly less expense than the present method.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I desire to earnestly urge upon you the necessity for wisdom and economy in the expenditure of the public funds. The history of every state shows that in proportion as a wise economy is practiced in the expenditure of the public money is the administration of public affairs clean and efficient. Yet it should not be forgotten that economy does not imply inadequate provision for the actual needs of public institutions.

It is apparently the popular judgment that legislative sessions have been unnecessarily prolonged. The times are hard and the people are in no humor for extravagant or unnecessary expenditures, and I pledge myself to coöperate in every possible way with what I know will be your wish, that the work before us be carried forward with due dispatch and economy.

EDWARD SCOFIELD.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
January 14, 1897.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in,

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Adjourning until next Tuesday.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

As amended by Mr. Ray, making hour of adjournment 8 o'clock p. m. next Tuesday,

Was concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Anson:

Res. No. 4, A.,

Resolved, That the resident clergymen of Madison be invited to open the morning session of the assembly with prayer and to receive the same compensation as at the forty-second session of the state legislature.

Adopted.

Mr. W. A. Jones moved that rule No. 22 of the proposed new rules submitted by the joint select committee appointed by the forty-second session of the legislature be substituted for No. 19 of the existing rules.

Mr. Hoyt moved to amend the rule referred to by adding to the list of standing committees a committee on Cities.

Pending action on the motion and amendment, a recess for twenty minutes was taken at 11:25 o'clock a. m.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker at 11:45 o'clock a. m. and the motion to amend the rules was taken up.

The amendment offered by Mr. Hoyt was adopted and the motion of Mr. Jones substituting rule No. 22 for the existing rule was adopted as amended.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
The committee on Cities was inserted third in the list of
standing committees.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform that the senate has concurred in the
assembly amendment, to

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Fixing the time of adjournment at 8 o'clock p. m. Tuesday.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
The assembly adjourned.

5--A. A. J.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1897.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polachek, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clason, Sether and Thompson—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Clason until Thursday.

To Messrs. Thompson and Sether indefinitely.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The speaker announced his appointment of committees as follows:

On Assessment and Collection of Taxes—Nath. B. Treat, chairman; Wynn Edwards, Albert R. Hall, King G. Staples, Charles Polacheck, Horace N. Polley, Herman Schellenberg.

On Agriculture—Barney A. Eaton, chairman; D. K. Smith, Samuel R. Webster, Gilbert Rutherford, John M. True, Charles Clack, George Wylie.

On Bills on Their Third Reading—Bernard C. Wolter, chairman; Gilbert Rutherford, Christian Ackermann, Jesse A. Clason, August M. Gawin.

On Corporations—Charles A. Stanley, chairman; Omar L. Rosenkrans, Reinhard Klabunde, Albert Woller, Chris Legried, Henry Overbeck, Jr., August M. Gawin.

On Education—Frank T. Tucker, chairman; Charles W. Meriman, Lester B. Dresser, Hans H. Olson, Lemuel P. Hindes, William H. Hurlburt, Oscar F. Minch.

On Engrossed Bills—George W. Latta, chairman; Charles Clack, Samuel F. Plummer, Joseph B. Beach, Joseph Wolfinger.

On Enrolled Bills—Mark H. Barnum, Chairman; Hans H. Olson, Abner S. Flagg, George P. Sheffer, John H. Yorkey.

On Dairy and Food—William H. Froehlich, chairman; John W. Thomas, Charles Wm. Sweeting, Thomas H. Mosher, William Hughes, Leonard C. Church, John M. True.

On Finance, Banks and Insurance—William A. Jones, chairman; George H. Ray, James O. Davidson, Nath. B. Treat, John H. Yorkey, Byron A. Buffington, Chas. N. Frink.

On Cities—Frank A. Anson, chairman; Christian Ackermann, James H. Agen, Mark H. Barnum, John F. Burnham, Chas. Polocheck, Byron A. Buffington, William H. Flett, Patrick H. Cashin.

On Federal Relations—Omar F. Rosenkrans, chairman; Charles Wm. Sweeting, Otto A. Risum, Delbert K. Smith, Leonard C. Church.

On Judiciary—Silas Bullard, chairman; George W. Latta, Herman C. Wipperman, William G. Wheeler, Maynard T. Parker, David F. Jones, William H. Flett, Frank T. Tucker, Mark M. Buttles, Leslie C. Harvey, Charles H. Welch.

On Legislative Expenditures—Adelbert L. Utt, chairman; William Hughes, Solon W. Pierce, Ole C. Sether, John E. Morgan.

On Manufactures—Joseph C. Marsh, chairman; John M. Hogan, William A. Jones, Julius Feige, William T. Lewis, Henry O. Reinholdt, Fred C. Maertz.

On Military Affairs—George W. Taylor, chairman; Jonathan J. Smith, Chris Legried, Jarvis White, Emilus S. Goodell, George E. Pratt, Julius Feige.

On Lumber and Mining—Albert R. Hall, chairman; King G. Staples, Otto A. Risum, George P. Sheffer, Andrew Jensen.

On Public Lands—Andrew Jensen, chairman; Hans Brochsenius, Mark M. Buttles, Ole C. Sether, Samuel F. Plummer.

On Public Health and Sanitation—Jesse A. Clason, chairman; Charles W. Merriman, John F. Burnham, T. J. McGrath, Chas. N. Frink.

On Public Improvements—William F. Sieker, chairman; Frank E. Hurd, Thomas McDonald, Jr., George Wylie, Charles A. W. Krauss.

On Privileges and Elections—Herman C. Wipperman, chairman; John M. Hogan, Hans Borchsenius, William F. Sieker, Adelbert L. Utt, Henry O. Reinnoldt, Hermann Schellenberg.

On Railroads—Emerson D. Hoyt, chairman; John W. Thomas, John F. Reynolds, George W. Taylor, Frank E. Hurd, Abner S. Flagg, Charles Niss, Jr., Gid H. Clark, Peter N. Peterson, Thomas McGrath, Jr., Louis A. Lange.

On State Affairs—Jesse Stone, chairman; Solon W. Pierce, Bernard C. Wolter, Emilus S. Goodell, Wynn Edwards, Addison W. Merrill, Joseph Wolfinger.

On Roads and Bridges—James O. Davidson, chairman; Chas. Niss, Jr., Thomas McDonald, Jr., James H. Agen, Thos. H. Mosher.

On Town and County Organization—Jonathan J. Smith, chairman; Mathew Connors, Joseph B. Beach, George E. Pratt, Daniel Bechtel.

On Ways and Means—William G. Wheeler, chairman; William M. Fogo, Samuel R. Webster, Charles A. Stanley, John F. Reynolds.

On Claims (Joint)—George H. Ray, chairman; Henry M. Thompson, Jarvis White, John E. Morgan, Patrick H. Cashin.

On Charitable and Penal Institutions (Joint)—William T. Lewis, chairman; Frank A. Anson, George W. Wolff, William H. Hurlburt, Fred C. Maertz.

On Fish and Game (Joint)—Lester B. Dresser, chairman; Joseph C. Marsh, Mathew Connors, Lemuel P. Hindes, Henry Overbeck, Jr.

On Printing (Joint.)—William M. Fogo, chairman; Albert Woller, Louie A. Lange.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 1 A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Orphan Asylum as amended by

chapter 10, of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, an act to incorporate the Milwaukee Orphan Asylum," approved March 24, 1852.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 2, A.,

A bill creating and establishing a board of commutations and pardons after conviction, for the state of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 199 of Sanborn & Berryman's Annotated statutes, entitled "of pardons."

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 3, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 6, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 7, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 469 of the laws of 1891 relating to building and loan associations.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 8, A.,

A bill making the general terms of the circuit court in each county in the 16th judicial circuit a special term for all other counties in said circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Stanley:

No. 9. A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Hurd:

No. 10. A.,

A bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. W. A. Jones, by request of the commission to revise the insurance laws:

No. 11, A.,

A, bill to limit the amount of insurance money exempt, in case of insurance upon a homestead.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. W. A. Jones, by request of the commission to revise the insurance laws:

No. 12, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stone:

No. 13, A.,

A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wis

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Cashin:

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203, laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—98.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clason and Flagg—2.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Flagg indefinitely.

The journal of yesterday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Res. No. 5, A.,

That the chief clerk be instructed to have printed 300 extra copies of bill No. 5, A., a bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages.

Was adopted.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Res. No. 6, A.,

That the use of the chamber for Tuesday evening, February 9th, be granted to the State Historical Society for the purpose of the biennial address before the society, by the Hon. Andrew D. White of New York.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED,

Read first and second times and referred:

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 15, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the general laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Mosher:

No. 16, A.,

A bill for the improvement of the public roads,

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 17, A.,

A bill for the distribution of the blue book.

To committee on Printing.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 18, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. A. Warren, Jr., as a justice of the peace within and for the county of Barron.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 19, A.,

A bill to submit to the qualified electors of the state of Wisconsin, an amendment to article 4, section 1 and section 17 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 20, A.,

A bill to amend sections 52 and 136, of chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 22, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2526, 2527, 2535, and to repeal section 2536 of the revised statutes relating to the drawing of jurors.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Stone:

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of the collection of taxes."

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 25, A.,

A bill to legalize election districts in certain cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogo:

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 27, A.,

A bill providing for the election of town road overseers, the payment of the town tax in work or in money and the survey and care of the roads.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 28, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263, laws of 1895, in relation to payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

Mr. Ray moves that the assembly adopt the proposed new rules,

Was not considered.

Mr. Pierce offered the following amendment to rule No. 33, of the proposed new rules:

Amend rule 33 by adding thereto the following: Provided, that all bills relating to claims against the state and all bills for appropriations of money shall, when reported by a standing committee, be placed in a file designated as "Bills to be considered in committee of the whole." Other bills may be placed in such file by order of the house.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

Further consideration of the new rules and pending amendment was referred to a special committee of five, to report at the next session.

The speaker appointed as such committee: Messrs. Ray, Hall, W. A. Jones, Pierce and Lange.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in,

No. 3, S.,

A bill to provide that any corporation reorganized or reincorporated under the provisions of chapter 440 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1891, may amend its articles of reorganization or reincorporation.

And has adopted and asks the concurrence of the assembly in, Jt. Res. No. 4, S.,

Asking the members representing the state of Wisconsin in the congress of the United States to vote in favor of H. R.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE CONSIDERED.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
The rules were suspended, and No. 3; S.,
Was read a third time and concurred in.
Jt. Res. No. 4, S.,
Was referred to committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—99.

Absent with leave—Mr. Eaton—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Eaton indefinitely.

To Messrs Lange and Fogo, after this session, until next Tuesday.

The journal of yesterday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Res. No. 7, A.,

That the use of the assembly chamber be granted to the state conference of charities and corrections on the evening of Thursday, February 4, 1897.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Jt. Res. No. 1, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That no new business be received by either house of the legislature after February 10, 1897, except bills and resolutions offered by standing committees concerning matters previously referred to them.

Was laid over.

By Mr. Hall:

Jt. Res. No. 2, A.,

WHEREAS, The electors of Wisconsin, assembled in town meeting April 2, 1895, did by a vote of more than 50,000 against less than 700, express themselves in favor of legislation prohibiting the granting of free passes, sleeping car permits, express and telegraph franks by the corporations of the state to public officers; and

WHEREAS, The public press of the state is nearly unanimous in advocating legislation prohibiting the use of free passes by public officials, and

WHEREAS, The county boards of many counties in the state have adopted resolutions against the free pass system, and

WHEREAS, The republicans of Wisconsin, in state convention assembled, did adopt the following resolution, to-wit:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that the granting of free railroad passes, express and telegraph franks and sleeping car permits by the corporations of this state to public officers is against public policy, and we favor such laws as will prevent the same.

WHEREAS, The republican party was successful at the polls and is now in control of the state government and has a large majority in both branches of the legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the nearly unanimous demand of the electors of the state for the abolition of the free-pass system, as evidenced by the vote in the town meetings, by the attitude of the state press, and by the action of county boards, should be respected, and the promises made by the majority party should be faithfully redeemed.

Resolved, That a joint special committee of five be appointed, two on the part of the senate and three on the part of the as-

sembly, to prepare and submit to each house such measures as will meet the demands of the people upon this question, and fulfill the promises made by the majority party.

Laid over.

By Mr. Merriman:

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

To amend subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended by striking out the words "declared their intention to," so that said subdivision, when so amended, shall read as follows:

Subdivision 2. "Persons of foreign birth who shall have become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization."

To committee on Judiciary.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 29, A.,

A bill to revise the general statutes of Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

The bill was ordered not to be printed.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 30, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, relating to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hogan:

No. 31, A.,

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 33, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steam boats, vessels and other water craft.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 34, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 382, of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a deep channels commissioner of Wisconsin and to make appropriations therefor."

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Gawin:

No. 35, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 48, section 1052, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "How property to be valued," by adding thereto.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 36, A.,

A bill relating to removal of fences, widening or altering any public highway through any inclosed, cultivated or improved lands, and amendatory of section 1284 of chapter 52, of the annotated statutes.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 37, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 658, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Goodell:

No. 38, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 331, of the laws of 1895, relating to a fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teacher's certificates.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 39, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act in relation to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 40, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money therein named.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 41, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in Wisconsin, and to license physicians and surgeons, and punish persons violating the provisions of this act.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 42, A.

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Waukesha county, Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Sweeting:

No. 44, A.,

A bill to authorize Manitowoc Building Supply company, a Wisconsin corporation, its successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dock and pier extending into Lake Michigan.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. True:

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 46, A.,

A bill amending chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Gaslight company,"

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Plummer:

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private insane asylums.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455 of chapter 114 of revised statutes of 1878.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. Ray, chairman of the special committee on Rules, submitted a report.

Mr. Pierce moved that the report of the special committee

Be laid over until to-morrow, and that the proposed new rules as corrected and amended, be reprinted.

Which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The report was referred back to the special committee for further consideration.

Awaiting action of special committee the assembly,

On motion of Mr. Ray,

Took a recess of fifteen minutes at 11:50 a. m.

On call to order by the speaker,

The following revised and amended report of the special committee was submitted:

The special committee, to whom was referred the proposed new rules, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the following amendments to the same, and recommend their adoption when so amended, viz.:

Amend rule 33 by adding at the end thereof the following:

Provided, that during the consideration of bills under this order, one-sixth of the members present may move that any bill or bills in said order of business shall be considered in committee of the Whole, and at the close of said order of business, unless otherwise ordered, the house shall resolve itself into the committee of the Whole for the consideration of the bill or bills ordered to be so considered. The rules of the legislature shall govern, as far as practicable, the proceedings in the committee of the Whole, except that a member may speak more than twice on the same subject, and that a call for the yeas and nays, or for a previous question, cannot be made in the committee.

Amend rule 90 by striking out all after the word "bill" on the tenth line.

Amend rule 93 by striking out all after the word "thereof"

on the second line and inserting "except where otherwise provided the rule shall be determined by yeas and nays, unless unanimous consent be given."

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The report was adopted.

The new rules submitted by the joint special committee of the forty-second session of the legislature, as corrected and amended,

Were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1897.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bullard, Fogo, Hindes, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Schellenberg and Wolfinger—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Hindes until next Tuesday.

To Messrs. Schellenberg, Maertz, Merriman, Wolfinger and Bullard for this session.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Lewis:

Res. No. 8, A.,

That his honor, the speaker, and a committee of two, whom the speaker shall appoint, invite Prof. Henry to deliver in the assembly hall, a lecture on beet sugar culture and its adaptability to the state of Wisconsin, the hour and date to be fixed by the professor and the committee.

Adopted.

By Mr. Frink:

Res. No. 9, A.,

Instructing the sergeant-at-arms to deliver to each assemblyman's desk one copy of insurance laws of Wisconsin and supreme court decisions now in force.

To committee on Legislative Expenditures.

Mr. Gawin moved, that when the assembly adjourn it should be until next Tuesday at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Ray moved an amendment,

That the time and hour be on Monday next at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Which was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Wylie:

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Peterson:

No. 51, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 154, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to the destruction of noxious weeds and amendatory of chapter 145 of the laws of 1893."

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Polley:

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Minch:

No. 53, A.,

A bill to provide for the registration of physicians, surgeons, midwives, and all others engaged in treating persons afflicted with disease.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 54, A.,

A bill to prevent the improper and corrupt use of money in elections.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 57, A.,

A bill relating to the release of options.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pierce:

No. 58, A.,

A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers and amendatory of section 711 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, entitled "Of county officers."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 59, A.,

A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes relating to new trials in criminal cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred,
Jt. Res. No. 4, S.,

Asking the members representing the state of Wisconsin in the congress of the U. S. to vote in favor of the bill H. R., 4339,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Anson,
The rules were suspended and
Jt. Res. No. 4, S.
Was concurred in.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in,
Jt. Res., No. 7, S.,
For a special committee on revision of statutes.
Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,
For the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and adjust the compensation of state employes.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED,

Jt. Res. No. 1., A.

That no new business be received by either house of the legislature after February 10, 1897, except bills and resolutions offered by standing committees concerning matters previously referred to them.

Was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 2, A.,

For the appointment of a joint special committee to prepare measures for the abolition of the free pass system.

Mr. D. K. Jones moved that the resolution be referred to the Judiciary committee.

Mr. Polacheck moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

Mr. Davidson called for the ayes and noes.

The demand was not sustained.

The motion of Mr. Polacheck was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Burnham,
The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Winter offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Frauss, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bullard, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Fogo, Frink, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Merriman, Pierce, Rosenkrans, Sether, Stanley, Taylor, Wipperman and Wolfinger—17.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Frink, Sether, Stanley, Davidson, Taylor, Dresser, Rosenkrans, Wipperman, Connors, Fogo, Merriman, Latta, D. K. Smith, Wolfinger and Maertz for this session.

To Mr. Pierce until next Monday.

The journal of Friday was approved.

Acting under

Res. No. 8, A.,

That his honor, the speaker, and a committee of two, whom the speaker shall appoint, invite Prof. W. A. Henry to deliver in the assembly chambe, a lecture on beet sugar culture and its adaptability to the state of Wisconsin, the hour and date to be fixed by the professor and the committee,

The speaker appointed

Messrs. True and Lewis as such committee.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hurd:

Res. No. 10, A.,

That the chief clerk be instructed to have printed 300 extra copies of assembly bill No. 10.

Adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 60, A.,

A bill to regulate the filing of bonds by insurance agents in cities of 100,000 or more, incorporated and operating under special charters.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to special assessments for the paving or repaving of any street or avenue with a permanent paving having concrete foundation and bordering on a public park in cities having a population of 100,000 or over.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 62, A.,

A bill relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets, the making of gutters and sidewalks thereon, and the laying of sewer and water pipes therein and the issuing of improvement bonds thereon in cities of 50,000 inhabitants and upwards.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Yorkey (By request):

No. 64, A.,

A bill providing for allegation in complaints, indictments or informations for larceny, and the evidence thereof.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 66, A.,

A bill to repeal all laws requiring the publication of official matters by municipal corporations in the Polish language.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize cities having a population of 50,000 or more inhabitants to purchase or build and equip street railways and operate, sell or lease the same and issue bonds to so purchase or build.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 68, A.,

A bill to regulate the delivery of prepaid telegrams and express packages.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Flett: (By request.)

No. 69, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 207, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to confer limited particular rights upon a certain class of towns."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 70, A.,

A bill to amend section 1024, chapter 47, of the annotated statutes, relating to records of death.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Utt:

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Woller: (By request.)

No. 73, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 310 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets and the issue of improvement bonds therefor in cities of 20,000 inhabitants and upwards."

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal court and police court of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."

To committee on Cities.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 7, S.,

For a special committee in revision of statutes,
Was concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

For the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and adjust the compensations of state employes,
As amended, was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Utt,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Winter offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D.K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welsh, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Weller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—95.

Absent—Mr. Maertz—1.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Frink, Lange, Merriman and Pierce—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Frink, Lange and Merriman for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

Acting under
Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,
For the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and
adjust the compensation of state employes,
The speaker appointed
Messrs. W. A. Jones, Stone and Wheeler
To act on such committee.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 1, A.,

Memorial of the county board of Jefferson county, praying
that civil jurisdiction be granted to the county court of Jeffer-
son county.

To committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Res. No. 11, A.,

That the use of the assembly chamber be granted to the state
agricultural society on the evening of Tuesday, February 2,
1897.

Adopted.

By Mr. Tucker:

Res. No. 12, A.,

That the chief clerk of the assembly be and is hereby instruct-
ed to have printed 300 extra copies of bill No. 38, A., entitled,
"A bill to repeal chapter 331 of the laws of 1895, relating to a
fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teacher's certificates."

Adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturer's Bank of New Richmond,
Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 77, A.,

A bill to vacate the state park and to bring the lands located therein, and other lands, into market.

To committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Woller:

No. 78, A.,

A bill making a contract to insure property void unless some note or memorandum thereof is made in writing, signed by such corporation or its agent, and amendatory of section 2307 of chapter 105 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorney.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Feige:

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Rutherford:

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 1862 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the formation and powers of street railways.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Anson: (By request.)

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls."

To committee on Claims.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of special committee appointed under Res. No. 8, A.,

Submitted the following report, accompanied with letter from Prof. W. A. Henry.

Your committee to whom was referred resolution No. 8, A., beg leave to submit Prof. Henry's reply as the report, and recommend that the use of the assembly chamber be hereby tendered for that purpose, on Wednesday night, January 27, and that the senate and citizens of Madison be invited to attend a lecture on beet and sugar production in Wisconsin by Prof. Henry, at 8 o'clock p. m. on above date.

W. T. LEWIS,
JOHN M. TRUE,
Committee.

MADISON, Wis., January 26, 1897.

Hon. Wm. T. Lewis, Member of the Assembly.

DEAR SIR:—Permit me to thank you and the assembly for so thoughtfully arranging for an address by me on the important subject of beet sugar production for Wisconsin.

If entirely agreeable to your committee and the assembly, I shall be pleased to address the legislature and friends of progress on this subject on Wednesday evening, January 27th, at eight o'clock.

Trusting this will be satisfactory, I am

Yours very truly,

W. A. HENRY.

The report of the committee was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 8, S.,

To authorize the governor to certify the lists of certain swamp lands to the general government.

And has concurred in
Jt. Res. No. 1, A.,
Limiting the time for the introduction of new business.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 8, S.,
Was referred to committee on Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
The assembly took a recess until 12 o'clock M., for the purpose at that time of voting for a United States senator, to succeed the Hon. William F. Vilas, whose term of office expires March 4th, 1897.

12 O'CLOCK M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker, who announced that

The business before the assembly was the

ELECTION OF A UNITED STATES SENATOR.

Mr. Wheeler nominated Hon. John C. Spooner for United States senator.

Mr. Harvey seconded this nomination.

The clerk called the roll and the vote on United States senator resulted as follows:

For John C. Spooner:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson,

Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—89.

For W. C. Silverthorn:

Messrs. Bechtel, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Minch and Schellenberg—6.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Pierce and Wolfinger—5.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Winter offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones, W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith, D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—95.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clason, Flett, Maertz, Minch and Pierce—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Flett, Clason, Minch and Maertz for this session.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

7—A. J.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 2, A.,

Petition signed by 43 residents of Wood county, asking for the passage of a game law.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 3, A.,

Petition of the Wisconsin state cranberry growers' association, asking for an appropriation to the agricultural department for experimental stations.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Legreid:

Pet. No. 4, A.,

To the honorable the legislature of the state of Wisconsin: The board of supervisors of Dane county, Wisconsin, respectfully memorialize your honorable body for the erection and construction of a suitable building to be located at some point in the state as much isolated from the centers of population as possible, for the care and complete isolation of cases of leprosy occurring within the state, and the passage of a law prohibiting, under penalty, any person afflicted with said disease from coming into the state for the purpose of settling therein while suffering from such disease. It is well known that the dread disease is increasing in Wisconsin by the marriage of persons afflicted with leprosy, thereby extending it to future generations. Hoping, therefore, that your honorable body may see your way clear to make provisions by the state for such cases at an early day. Your memorialists will ever pray.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER J. Q. EMERY,

Appointed to revise the school code of the state of Wisconsin under the provisions of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of Wisconsin:

As commissioner to revise the school code of the state of Wisconsin, as provided in chapter 253 of the laws of 1895, I herewith submit the following report:

As authorized by that law, and for the purposes specified therein, I have visited the following states: Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New York and Massachusetts.

I have also investigated the workings of the township system of school government in our own state, in operation in forty-six towns of eighteen different counties of Wisconsin.

I submit the following conclusions as the result of this investigation.

The district school system of Wisconsin rests upon section 3, article 10 of the constitution, as follows: "The legislature shall provide by law for the establishment of district schools which shall be as nearly uniform as practicable, and such schools shall be free and without charge for tuition to all children between the ages of four and twenty years; and no sectarian instruction shall be allowed therein." Obedient to this constitutional mandate, the legislature has by law established a system of district schools. The power to form and alter school districts is given to the town board of supervisors of each town. There are certain limitations established. Among them, that every school district shall be of contiguous territory, and shall not embrace more than thirty-six square miles of land.

Joint school districts of two or more adjoining towns may be formed or altered by the joint action of the town boards of the towns affected.

The notion that a town board can take action upon the formation and alteration of school districts *only upon petition*, is erroneous. Town boards may act in the formation and alteration of the boundaries of school districts on their own motion and without waiting for a petition. They are made the legal guardians of school district boundaries. The law clothes them with authority to assume responsibility in these matters, and take such action as their own judgments dictate to be for the best interests of the district schools in their charge, and as the enlightened public sentiment of their towns approves.

There seems also to be a notion prevalent, that the law as it exists on our statute books somehow compels the cutting up of each township of thirty-six square miles into more than one school district; but such is not the fact. This requirement has, in the past, been made in some of the eastern and other states, but not in Wisconsin. If the town board of any town not exceeding thirty-six square miles of land should deem it to be for the best interests of the schools of the town to constitute that territory one school district, to be under the control of one district board, power for such action exists in law. The district board consisting of a director, a treasurer and a clerk, would be chosen by the electors of the school district in annual school meeting, and that school district, comprising in area a congressional township, would possess all the powers when assembled in annual school meeting, that any other school district possesses, and the taxes would be equalized over this large area. The district could have such number of schoolhouses, few or many, as it might deem necessary.

Or, the town board has the power to form only two school

districts in a town; or it may form three, or four, or five or more districts, as conditions, public sentiment, or school interests may make wise and expedient. If the town boards of all the towns in Wisconsin not exceeding thirty-six square miles of land, should decide it to be for the educational interests of their respective towns to combine all the separate school districts of their respective towns into one, there is ample legal authority for such action. Thus it appears that this statute provides for a system of district schools in which the district may comprise a whole congressional township, or such smaller area as the town board in its discretion may determine, in view of local conditions and needs. Several school districts in Wisconsin thus comprise an entire congressional township. So far as the law itself is concerned, it is difficult to see why it is not as much entitled to be called a "township district system" as it is what some have chosen to call it, an "independent district system."

Another statute makes provision for what it designates "township school government." Section 552, school code, provides that whenever any town in no way limited as to area, shall have voted for the township system of school government, it is by that act constituted one school district, and the several districts and parts of joint districts then established become subdistricts. Under this law, the clerks of the several subdistricts of any such town and the clerks of the joint subdistricts, the schoolhouses of which are situated in said town, constitute the town board of school directors. The town board of school directors has authority to choose a president and a vice-president from its own number, and also a secretary. These constitute an executive committee, and subject to review by the board, may transact the business that the board is authorized to transact.

The secretary has immediate charge and supervision of all the schools in the town with authority under the direction of the board to organize and grade them and assist the teachers in classifying and arranging them. He is allowed a compensation for services of not less than two dollars and not more than three dollars a day. The money for the support of the schools is appropriated by the voters at the annual town meeting or election.

I have thus briefly sketched the salient features of the school district system of Wisconsin. It is a human institution, and like all other human institutions has defects, but it is equally true that it possesses very many meritorious characteristics.

Educational literature and official reports of school officers abound in caustic criticisms of the so-called district system, and urge the so-called township system as a remedy for these defects. It is, however, to be noted that while some have advocated the abolition of the district systems, and the substitution of the township system, the great mass of the people di-

rectly involved, and legislatures, have been slow to adopt the radical changes proposed. The district system is the one maintained by a majority of the states. The township system of school government does not stand for some one well defined, specific system, but represents very different things in different states. There seems to be, however, three great representative types of this system:

1. The Indiana Type. In Indiana, the township system means that the township constitutes the school district. Under certain limitations by general state law, the administration of the school affairs of the town is vested in one person styled the "school trustee." This school trustee is elected by the people of each township for four years. He is charged with the purchase, ownership in trust, and management of school property, levies school taxes, employs teachers, causes township institutes to be held, makes reports to county superintendent and commissioners. The school trustee of the towns of a county constitute a county board of education. This board seems to possess only advisory powers. In addition to this town school trustee, there is one school director, elected by the patrons in each school district for one year, who presides at school meetings, is the medium of communication between the people and trustee, and under the direction of the school trustee has the care of the schoolhouse, makes small repairs and provides fuel. For the educational affairs of his town, the school trustee in Indiana seems to be little less than an autocrat.

2. The Ohio Type. In Ohio the township system is different. There, school districts are classified as city districts of the first class, city districts of the second class, and village districts, township and special districts, and joint districts.

The board of education for each township district divided into subdistricts, consists of the town clerk and one director elected by the qualified electors of each district. Ohio has no county superintendents, but has a township system of school supervision.

3. The Pennsylvania Type. In Pennsylvania, every township, borough and city is legally constituted a school district. Provision is, however, made for independent districts. The number of school directors varies somewhat in the different classes of districts. Six seem to be typical number in township districts. They are elected by the whole body of legal voters of the district. This board has the general management of the schools, and is clothed with power to levy the necessary local taxes for their maintenance.

It is to be noticed that the particular in which these types of the township system are alike is that local taxes for school purposes are levied upon the township as a unit.

I call attention to the fact that the Wisconsin "township district system" is of the Ohio type, that is, subdistrict boundaries are maintained and the town board of school directors is

composed of the subdistrict clerks chosen by the respective subdistricts of the town.

It is also to be observed that if our town boards of supervisors should each use its legal authority to organize all the territory of a congressional township into one school district, as has been done in some cases in Wisconsin, the result would be practically a township district system of the Pennsylvania type, except that the taxes for the support of schools would be levied by a vote of the electors and not by the school board, as in Pennsylvania. There is nothing in the existing law to hinder the voters of any town giving expression to their desire to have all the school districts therein consolidated into one school district, and electing supervisors who would carry out such a policy.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Indiana school officials believe they have the most nearly perfect school system in the United States, I can not believe that any considerable number of people in Wisconsin would recommend its adoption here as either wise or expedient. It doubtless best meets Indiana conditions; but Wisconsin conditions are different. For Wisconsin conditions, the Indiana system has in it too much that seems autocratic.

Until longer time and greater experience can clearly indicate that either the district system or the township system possesses very decided and positive advantages over the other, I must believe that a law that compels the adoption of either one to the exclusion of the other, would for the present be premature for Wisconsin. As our laws now stand, a town may have a township district system or a neighborhood district system as may best serve its needs in view of varying local conditions. It has been quite vigorously urged that a township system should supersede the district system by immediate compulsory legislation. But it should be made clear that the change would not overthrow existing relations and conditions, in other respects, to an extent that would be productive of more harm than good. Before such radical legislation should be enacted in Wisconsin, it ought to be clearly and definitely demonstrated that the township system would surely remedy the defects claimed to exist in the present system. Has the working of the township system in Wisconsin demonstrated that it can, regardless of conditions, remedy the defects of the present system? Let us apply to the township system some of the statistical arguments and tests to which the district system has been subjected:

1. The first great defect urged against the district system is that of inequitable taxation. Statistics have been collected and published in educational documents to exhibit this inequality as between districts of the same town. No one can peruse the tables presented in the last Wisconsin biennial report without realizing that there is inequality in taxation for the sup-

port of schools in *different school districts in the same town*. But it is just as true that statistics collected from the forty-six towns in Wisconsin which have adopted the township system show just as great inequality between *towns in the same county*.

Subject the township system as operated in Wisconsin to the same test and the statistics do not warrant the conclusion that the township system would remedy this defect of inequality of taxation.

The greatest extreme between two districts in the same town in the rate of taxation as shown by the biennial report of 1893-4, was 4.5 mills in one district and 31.2 mills in the other, or one is nearly seven times as great as the other.

Statistics collected by me for 1895 for the forty-six towns in eighteen counties of Wisconsin where the township system is in operation, show an extreme in the rate of taxation from 8.3 mills in one town to 54.8 mills in a neighboring town of the same county, or one has nearly nine times as great a rate of taxation as the other, and the statistics throughout are marked by proportionately as great inequality between the towns of the same county as is shown between districts of the same town. The logic that would seek equality of rate of taxation by enlarging the territorial area from the district to the town would compel us to go from the town unit to the county unit as in Maryland, and finally from the county to the state, as in California. Indeed, it is claimed by eminent writers on the rural school problem that California has by state taxation solved that problem. The state of Wisconsin has for many years levied and collected annually a tax of one mill on each dollar of the assessed valuation of the state for the support of common schools, which in addition to the income from the state school fund is annually apportioned by the state superintendent and required by law to be applied exclusively to the payment of teachers' wages. As a condition to receiving a share of this fund, each town is required by law to raise by tax an amount equal to the amount received from the state apportionment. This town tax it is to be observed, is levied on the town as a unit, and is certified to the towns by the county boards. The state and town school funds thus combined now pay more than one-third the amount of teachers' wages on the basis of wages in counties outside of cities. Wisconsin thus combines state, county or town, and local district taxation and there is much to be said in favor of this system. Perhaps investigation may show that it would be wise to raise a state tax of more than one mill or to increase by law the amount which the state now requires the town to raise as a condition for sharing in the distribution of the school fund income, including the mill tax. This would correspondingly diminish the local district tax.

It is believed that the local school district is not the only nor the leading unit for taxation. It is too small, too vari-

able, and too liable to be controlled by selfish considerations.

It may also be true that the number of persons of school age in the town is not the best basis for the distribution of public school funds. The question opens a wide field of enquiry, as the methods of distribution, as well as the principal units for taxation for school purposes, vary greatly in different states.

2. Another statement that has been urged why the township system should supersede the district system, is that under the district system some schools are too small to be efficiently and economically taught; that other schools are too large, and that by the township system the size of the schools would be properly regulated, and that more efficient and economical instruction would result. In this, as in the matter of inequality of taxation, I must assert that the statistics gathered from the towns operated under the township system in Wisconsin do not sustain the assumption. The statistics show as great a proportionate inequality as to enrollment and average attendance in the schools in Wisconsin under the township system as under the district system. The biennial report of 1893-4 shows that the average attendance in about three-fifths of the country districts of the state does not exceed twenty. The statistics for 1895 of the towns in Wisconsin under the township system show that the average attendance in 83 per cent., or more than four-fifths of the schools under the township system, does not exceed twenty. The proportionate inequality in other particulars is equally great.

3. Another argument urged for the compulsory adoption of the township system is that under it the expenditures are more economical.

Again I must affirm that statistics from the towns in Wisconsin under the township system do not sustain this proposition.

The per capita expenditure for children between four and twenty was, in 1894:

In cities having superintendents.....\$8.79

In the counties outside of cities..... 6.38

The per capita expenditure in 1894 for those between four and twenty in the towns under the township system was \$13.74.

The per capita expenditure on those enrolled between four and twenty was, in 1894:

In cities having superintendents.....\$19.82

In the counties outside of cities..... 10.44

The per capita expenditure in 1895, in towns under the township system, on those enrolled

between four and twenty, was..... 19.31

The per capita for teachers' wages on those enrolled between four and twenty, was in 1894.

In cities having superintendents.....\$12.71

In counties outside of cities..... 6.72

The per capita for teachers' wages only, in the towns under the township system in 1895, was. \$12.69

The cost per capita for maintaining school in different districts, as shown by the tables in the report for 1894, varied from \$3.80, the lowest, to \$46.46, the highest.

The cost per capita for maintaining school in the different towns under the township system in 1895, varied from \$4.35, the lowest, to \$53.05, the highest.

One of the arguments used for the immediate compulsory adoption of the township district system, is that the schoolhouses are at present unsuitably located. If this is true and a compulsory township system should be adopted, the vast multitude of school sites would have to be changed and a multitude of schoolhouses moved or new ones erected. Before taking such a radical step, should we not sit down and carefully count the cost? If it be said that only a few changes in these respects would be needed, such a reply would simply contradict the statement that the schoolhouses are now improperly located.

Before making the township system compulsory for the entire state, we need to be certain that the harm that might result to many of the graded and high schools would not exceed any possible increase of good that would accrue to the district schools. Many of these graded schools are in districts that are constituent parts of towns. What would be the effect on these schools if they should be under the management and control of a town board of school directors with only one representative, a sub-district clerk, on that board of six to ten or more members? Would such graded schools suffer no injury? Is it not to be feared that under these circumstances the practical operation of the township system would be to reduce as many schools to a lower level as to raise others to a higher?

Many of our high schools, too, are in districts in which there are graded schools, or in villages or cities that are constituent parts of towns. The result of the adoption of the township system in such cases would certainly be to disarrange the high school organization and cripple or break down such high schools. Should we be in haste to take such a step? A county superintendent in Wisconsin, supervising towns under the township system, writes the following: "——— is not incorporated as either a city or village. It is under township government only. It has a population of from two to three thousand with about one thousand school children, and a high school. There are two districts in the town outside of the —— district. They are small schools of a dozen pupils each. An organization of this town under the township system would give the control of the —— schools to the outside districts, as they would have a majority of representation on the board. This case is not exceptional in this locality."

Another complaint against the district system is that of incompetency of school boards. Does the township system furnish

the remedy? The following from a county superintendent represents the views of quite a number of the county superintendents in counties having towns under the township system: "The difficulty in retaining the township system seems to lie in the fact that it is almost impossible to get the right kind of men on the board of directors." This sentence followed the statement that both systems had been tried in all the towns of that superintendent's county and that now only three towns were under the township system. The claim is made that the schools under the district system are better managed and more satisfactory. Statements of this character are about an offset for the statements of other county superintendents supervising towns under the township system that the township system is superior. In 1880, Hon. J. P. Wickersham, state superintendent of Pennsylvania, reported the following concerning the Pennsylvania system:

"One source of weakness in the system is that school boards are required to perform duties of which they many times have inadequate knowledge. They are generally men of intelligence and possess good business qualities, but many of the duties which the law imposes on them as school directors cannot be well performed without a kind of special knowledge and skill that they do not possess. To learn how to build and furnish a school-house, with due regard to the work of a school and the health of the children requires the study of years. How can men who know nothing of the art of teaching, certainly as difficult as the art of making a watch or a steam engine, wisely select text-books, arrange courses of study, grade schools or examine classes? Who is qualified to direct a teacher's work but a teacher? Our school system is weak, therefore, in placing in the hands of school boards duties that properly belong only to experts."

It is conceded that some of our district schools are too small to be the most efficiently and economically administered. It has been shown by reference to statistics that the township system as operated in Wisconsin does not remedy that defect. When we recall that Massachusetts, a state that inaugurated a township system so many years ago, is now admitting the same defect in the schools of many of her townships, there seems to be little force left to the argument that the township system would remedy this defect. The plan of authorizing any of these smaller districts that find it to their advantage to do so, to provide for the instruction of their pupils in some adjoining or other district, with authority to provide transportation thereto, would in my judgment, more effectively remedy this defect and relieve the smaller districts of undue burdens. The district thus providing instruction and transportation should be entitled to share in the distribution of the school fund income, the same as though it maintained a school in its own district. This is a plan that

is being tried in Massachusetts and some other states and with very successful results, according to reliable reports. It would require but slight amendment to our present laws to make a trial of this plan in Wisconsin,—a plan that gives greatest promise of curing the defect complained of.

I have before indicated a simple but effective way for more fully equalizing over township areas, the taxation for support of schools. Remembering that our legislatures have shown great liberality in providing for higher education, there seems no good reason to doubt that when the real needs of the common schools are clearly understood, no necessary aid or legislation will be withheld.

If it be argued that there are too many school officers under the district system, I must express the belief that it possesses this advantage, that the people's money as a rule is more honestly expended by this greater number than by the few. The expenditure of money by district officers can be closely scrutinized by those who are near by. Complaints are too frequent at the office of the state superintendent from localities under the township system, that school funds, if not squandered, are too often used for purposes of doubtful utility. In this respect, the township feature of our system needs to be improved by amendment. When supervision by a secretary of the town board of school directors is made to cost a thousand dollars in one year, it must be admitted that the supervision is pretty expensive. If, under present laws, towns desire a township district system the law gives them the privilege. If they prefer the neighborhood district system, they are privileged by law to make that choice.

Two-thirds of the county superintendents of the state who have declared themselves unconditionally on this subject have expressed in writing to me the opinion that the present optional system better meets Wisconsin conditions and needs than would a township system if made immediately compulsory by legislation.

In the light of the statistics and arguments presented, and others that the limits of this report preclude, I am of the opinion that the best interests of the public school system of Wisconsin do not at present require so extreme or radical a change as a compulsory township system involves. Not until further trial under inevitable conditions, demonstrated that either a township or the district system alone would better minister to our educational needs, should such radical legislation be enacted. We have been accustomed to take great pride in our common school system. The present system is deeply entrenched in the confidence of the people. It should be made very clear that another system should be an improvement before we undertake to break down confidence in the present. I am not prepared to advocate at present the taking away from the voters of a town the right to decide which system they may deem best suited to their local needs. Such an optional law for the present seems to me to be a good law. Where the public sentiment of a town supports a township system, the law gives the opportunity for the adoption of that system. Such changes must be made from time to time as experience proves to be necessary. But we must remember that not all change is improvement. Care and discretion must be used lest in efforts to root up the tares in the educational field, the wheat also be rooted up. Evolution in our school system is doubtless desirable; revolution is not.

Having determined that it is inexpedient to inaugurate the compulsory township system of school government in this state at the present time, I have prepared a complete revision of the school laws of the state as required by section 3, of the said chapter 253 of the laws of 1895, which I herewith submit as required by said law, in the bill entitled "A bill to amend, modify and revise chapter 27, revised statutes of 1878, entitled 'Of common schools,' and chapter 23, revised statutes of 1878, entitled 'Of the distribution of the school fund income;' and of laws

amendatory to those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253, of the laws of 1895."

Pursuant to the law appointing me commissioner, I invited President C. K. Adams, of the university of Wisconsin; President G. S. Albee, senior president in service of the state normal schools in Wisconsin; Hon. W. H. Chandler, state inspector of high schools; M. L. Bunnell and W. L. Damkoehler, county superintendents of schools of long experience, to consider with me the details of the bill prepared and suggest such changes as they might agree as necessary and expedient. All the members of the aforesaid consulting and advisory committee, excepting President C. K. Adams, met with me on the 11th and 12th days of December, 1896, for the purposes specified in said chapter 253, laws of 1895. The following copy of the resolutions shows the conclusions of the commissioner and the advising and consulting committee:

Resolved by the commissioner and consulting and advisory committee authorized and provided for under the provisions of chapter 253, laws of 1895, that, in the judgment of said committee it is expedient to establish a compulsory township system of school government in this state at the present time, by enacting a law making such township system compulsory upon all the towns within the state.

J. Q. EMERY, Commissioner.
G. S. ALBEE,
M. L. BUNNELL,
W. L. DAMKOEHLER,
W. H. CHANDLER,

Consulting and Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, Under the provisions of chapter 253, laws of 1895, J. Q. Emery was appointed a commissioner to prepare a complete revision of the existing school laws of this state with such changes as he may deem wise and necessary, bringing all laws upon school matters together in their proper relations and connections in one code, and

WHEREAS, The said commissioner has prepared such revision and submitted the same for the consideration of the consulting and advisory committee authorized by said chapter for its approval according to the provisions of said chapter, and

WHEREAS, The same has received the consideration of this commission, and a determination thereon has been reached, now, therefore,

Resolved, That the revision of the school laws of this state submitted to this commission for its approval by said J. Q. Emery, commissioner, is hereby approved, and the changes and amendments therein recommended would, in the judgment of this commission, promote the interests of public education in this state.

Done at the city of Madison, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1896.

(Signed)

G. S. ALBEE,
M. L. BUNNELL,
W. L. DAMKOEHLER,
W. H. CHANDLER,

Consulting and Advisory Committee.

With the bill revising, codifying and amending the laws relating to common schools herewith submitted, is a schedule indicating the sources of the text introduced into the statutes in the general laws enacted since the revision of the statutes in 1878, and also the amendments recommended by the commissioner. No radical changes are recommended. A few are suggested in the interest of clearness and precision. The others may be enumerated, as follows:

I. To authorize town boards of supervisors to appoint a suitable person carefully and closely to inspect the schools of their respective towns, and to report to the town boards of supervisors, to the several school district officers, and to county superintendents.

II. To authorize electors at the annual district school meeting to permit the district board to suspend the school of the district, provide for

the instruction of persons of school age residing in the district in an adjoining or other district, and the conveyance of such persons to and from the school with which such arrangement is made.

III. To authorize any district at the annual meeting to make provision for the conveyance of pupils to and from the schoolhouse in the district.

IV. To provide for an annual apportionment of all money in the treasury belonging to the school fund income, in the month of December, and to discontinue the apportionment in June. It is believed this will greatly simplify the process of distributing the school fund income, avoid the misunderstandings now arising by two annual apportionments, and accomplish all that is now sought to be effected by a separate apportionment of the mill tax part of the school fund income in November, which it is impossible now to carry into effect.

Sec. 412, amended to make more explicit the authority to consolidate districts, and to form new districts from parts of existing districts. This section was amended by chap. 355, laws of 1885.

Sec. 413, amended by inserting the words, "whenever a new district shall be formed," at the beginning of the second sentence.

Sec. 417, amended by inserting the words, "of the town or towns of ———," to supply an omission.

Sec. 419a, incorporates chap. 439, laws of 1887.

Sec. 423, amended by adding a clause, providing this section shall not apply to districts where the school is suspended and provision is made for the instruction of pupils in another district, or other districts.

Sec. 424 includes chap. 69, laws of 1882, chap. 298, laws of 1883, and chap. 96, laws of 1887.

Sec. 427, amended by substituting the word "shall" for the word "may" in the first clause; also by adding the words, "voting a tax to compensate the clerk, and authorizing a change in text books." These things are authorized to be done at annual meetings only, in subdivision 17, of section 430, and in section 440. They are excepted here for the sake of ready comprehension by school officers.

Also amended by adding the words "exclusive of the day on which the meeting is to be held" at the end of the section.

Sec. 428a is chap. 211, laws of 1885.

Subdivision 3 of section 430, includes chap. 29, laws of 1893. Subdivision 14 includes provisions of section 1, chap. 124, laws of 1885. Subdivision 15 is inserted, and provides for authorizing the district board to suspend a school and to arrange for the instruction of pupils in an adjoining or other district, and for their transportation thereto.

Subdivision 16 is added, authorizing any district to vote a tax to provide for the conveyance of children to and from the schoolhouse. Subdivisions 17, 18, 19 are renumbered.

Sec. 430a is chap. 118, laws of 1879.

Sec. 430b is chap. 266, laws of 1887.

Sec. 432, amended by adding at the end of the present section the words, "No formal notice of a meeting of the board shall be required when all members are present and consent to consider and determine matters relating to the district, but the clerk shall record all determinations of the board at all meetings thereof."

Sec. 433 is chap. 81, laws of 1891.

Sec. 433a is chap. 427, laws of 1889.

Sec. 436 is chap. 56, laws of 1893.

Sec. 436a is chap. 95, laws of 1895.

Sec. 437 is s-c. 2, chap. 124, laws of 1885.

Sec. 440 and 440a include provisions of chapter 308, laws of 1891.

Sec. 440b is sec. 503, revised statutes, as amended by sec. 2, chap. 251, laws of 1883.

Sec. 441a is chap. 414, laws of 1887.

Sec. 443 is chap. 254, laws of 1889.

Sec. 446, is amended by inserting the words, "and the town treasurer."

in the first subdivision, that the latter officer may perform the duties required in other parts of the law.

Sec. 446a is chap. 187, laws of 1891.

Sec. 447 is amended by adding a clause authorizing kindergarten instruction and training in primary grades. Also, providing for instruction in U. S. History.

Sec. 447a includes provisions of chap. 327, laws of 1885.

Secs. 449 and 450 include the provisions of chap. 327, laws of 1885, and chap. 79, laws of 1887.

Sec. 452a is chap. 311, laws of 1885.

Sec. 453 is amended in first sentence by requiring charges against teachers to be made in writing.

Sec. 454 includes the provisions of chap. 457, laws of 1891.

Sec. 455 is amended by authorizing the board of examiners to pass upon evidence of good moral character, experience, and success in teaching, in the same manner as they do when acting upon diplomas and certificates granted in other states.

Sec. 458 is chap. 452, laws of 1891.

Secs. 458a, 458b, 458c, 458d are revisions of present laws upon the subject of countersigning teachers' certificates, and of diplomas and certificates of universities, colleges and normal schools, scattered through several years, but the provisions are principally contained in chap. 156, laws of 1893, and chap. 243, laws of 1895. Sec. 458b is chap. 186, laws of 1885. Sec. 458c is chap. 149, laws of 1893.

Sec. 459 includes provisions of chap. 440, laws of 1887.

Sec. 461a includes provisions of sections 2 and 3 of chap. 65, laws of 1885.

Sec. 461b is chap. 215, laws of 1885.

Sec. 461c is chap. 80, laws of 1887.

Sec. 461d is chap. 368, laws of 1891.

Sec. 461e is chap. 331, laws of 1895.

Sec. 461f is chap. 331, laws of 1891.

Sec. 461g is chap. 333, laws of 1895.

Sec. 462 includes provisions of chap. 298, laws of 1883, chap. 155, laws of 1889, and chap. 370, laws of 1889.

Sec. 462a is chap. 95, laws of 1887.

Sec. 463 includes provisions of chap. 298, laws of 1883, and chap. 156, laws of 1889.

Sec. 464 includes provisions of chap. 298, laws of 1883, and chap. 154, laws of 1889.

Sec. 467 is amended to require apportionment of money by town clerks of all money collected or received for school purposes by the town treasurer on or before the third Monday in March annually.

Sec. 468b, added to authorize town boards of supervisors to appoint a suitable person as inspector of schools.

Sec. 472 is as amended by chap. 241, laws of 1885.

Sec. 476a is as amended by chap. 231, laws of 1887.

Sec. 486a includes amendments by chap. 47, laws of 1895, and amendments (1) changing time when books shall be purchased; (2) omitting the circulating feature of township library; (3) requiring each district clerk to keep a record of the books received for the district from the town clerk.

Sec. 490, amended to include sub-districts, and includes amendments by chap. 245, laws of 1879.

Sec. 491a is sec. 1, chap. 352, laws of 1885, and sec. 291b is sec. 2 of the same chapter.

Sec. 492 includes sec. 2, chap. 245, laws of 1879, and is otherwise amended to provide for sub-districts.

Sec. 493 includes sec. 3, chap. 245, laws of 1879.

Sec. 494 includes amendments by sec. 4, chap. 245, laws of 1879; chap. 146, laws of 1881, and chap. 445, laws of 1891.

Sec. 496 includes amendments by sec. 5, chap. 245, laws of 1879; chap.

273, laws of 1883; chap. 420, laws of 1885; chap. 466, laws of 1889, and chap. 332, laws of 1891.

Sec. 496a is as amended by chap. 325, laws of 1883, and chap. 242, laws of 1885.

Sec. 496b is chap. 358, laws of 1895.

Sec. 503 has become sec. 440b.

Sec. 509, amended to conform to present title of Webster's dictionary, and authorize its sale to normal schools and to county superintendents.

Sec. 514, as amended by chap. 251, laws of 1883, is now found as sec. 440b.

Sec. 515 is now found as sec. 440c.

Sec. 517 is as amended by chap. 276, laws of 1895.

Sec. 523 is amended by providing for limiting the number of days for which a secretary may be compensated in any year.

Sec. 524 is amended by authorizing water supply for school premises, and the free transportation of all pupils living more than one and one-half miles from the schoolhouse.

Sec. 534 slightly amended to make report correspond with the annual report to county superintendent for the school year ending June 30.

Sec. 540, amended to provide that no money collected for school purposes shall be paid out for any other purpose.

Sec. 541, amended by fixing the place for sub-district annual meetings.

Sec. 547, amended by adding at the end of the first sentence the words, "without regard to the town in which he may reside."

Sec. 551, amended by exempting districts maintaining graded schools from operation of township system.

Sec. 552 includes amendments by chapter 204, laws of 1885.

Sec. 554 of chapter XXVIII of the revised statutes is amended by providing for an annual apportionment of the school fund income, including the amount to accrue from the one mill tax to be collected by the several counties before the first Monday in February next succeeding the date of the apportionment, and to make the law otherwise conform to this provision.

This section is also further amended by providing for counting the time any district may suspend its school and provide for instruction and conveyance of pupils in an adjoining or other district as compliance with the law relating to maintenance of a public school in the district.

Section 556 is amended by providing that the amount apportioned to any county in December from the school fund income shall be payable to the county treasurer at the time he is required by law to pay the state treasurer the amount due from his county on account of state taxes collected by him.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. EMERY.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 26, 1897.

The report was referred to the committee on Education.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Eaton:

Res. No. 13, A.,

That the clerk have 300 additional copies printed of bill No. 4, relating to the incorporation of villages.

Adopted.

By Mr. Marsh:

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

WHEREAS, The legislature of 1895 empowered the administration to supply the capitol building and park grounds thereof with a system of electric lights, in place of the disagreeable, unhealthy and more expensive lights we now have and appropriated a sum of money for the same, and the change has not been made; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate be appointed by the chair to investigate and report the reason no such change has been made and curative proceedings if possible.

Was laid over.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 86, A.,

A bill allowing persons to cross private lands in order to fish in public streams of the state.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 88, A.,

A bill relating to trials by jury.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 89, A.,

A bill relating to local self-government of cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, relating to the Milwaukee Gaslight company.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of, and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Rosencrans:

No. 92, A.,

A bill to foster and encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Lange:

No. 93, A.,

A bill regulating the propelling of steam engines on highways in cities and villages.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 94, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 1 of section 2646 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to pleadings in courts of record.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. True:

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Reynolds:

No. 97, A.,

A bill to prevent the establishment of a saloon and the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of grounds or parks owned or leased by old settlers', societies or associations and occupied by such society for meetings, celebrations, picnics and pleasureable gatherings.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Legried:

No. 98, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a salaried one.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Legried:

No. 99, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of clerk of circuit court a salaried office.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Legried: (By request.)

No. 100, A.,

A bill repealing chapter 235, laws of 1895, establishing a board of immigration.

To committee on State Affairs.

Br Mr. Niss:

No. 101, A.,

A bill to prohibit the leaving open of wells and cisterns in cities and villages.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Plummer:

No. 104, A.

A bill granting to Oliver G. Howard the right to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin, from Stockholm, Wis., to Lake City, Minn., and repealing chapter 468 of the laws 1891.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 105, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 404 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act to cure defects in certain conveyances of real property," and to amend section 1 of chapter 26, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend section 1 of chapter 288, of the laws of 1891, relating to defects in recorded instruments."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 106, A.,

A bill to amend section 90 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, relating to the letting of contracts for public work in cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Pratt:

No. 107, A.,

A bill granting Oliver Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, the right to keep and maintain a ferry from Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota, for a term of years.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's an-

notated statutes relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 109, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 125 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 110, A.,

A bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners, prescribe their qualifications, fix their salaries, and for the appointment of a secretary for such board and to fix his salary.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 111, A.,

A bill to regulate railway corporations and other common carriers in this state and to define the powers and duties of the board of railway commissioners in relation to the same, and to prevent and punish extortion and unjust discriminations in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state, and to prescribe the mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to repeal all laws in force in direct conflict with the provisions of this act.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county."

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. McGrath:

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, Of the collection of taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages,

With an amendment, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

No. 4, A., was re-referred to committee on Claims.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 40, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money therein named,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation it do pass.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

Mr. Ray moved that the rules be suspended, and

No. 40, A.,

Be put upon its passage.

The motion not being unanimously adopted an aye and nay vote was required, and being taken,

It was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd,

Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Flett, Maertz, Minch, Pierce, Sheffer, Smith D. K. and Thomas—8.

The rules being suspended,

No. 40, A.,

Was read a third time, and

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was passed.

The vote was as follows:—

Ayes—Messrs. Ackerman, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Flett, Maertz, Minch, Pierce, Smith D. K. and Thomas—7.

On motion of Mr. Stanley,
The assembly adjourned.

12 O'CLOCK M.

The speaker called the assembly to order, in compliance with the provisions of the constitution.

The sergeant-at-arms announced the arrival of the state officers, the senate, and the justices of the supreme court.

ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATOR.

(In Joint Convention.)

Lieutenant Governor Emil Baensch, president of the senate, called the convention to order and said:

Gentlemen of the convention: We are convened pursuant to the laws of the United States to perform a function which brings us into close touch with that vast governmental machinery which gives life, motion and being to our fatherland. The statutes of the United States provide for reading of the journals of the two houses, while the statute of our own state provides for a viva voce vote in convention, and where the laws, as is sometimes the case, conflict, it is best to follow both. It is therefore the opinion of the chair that we elect a United States senator in the manner prescribed by the laws of the United States, and also in the manner prescribed by our own laws. The clerks of the senate and assembly will read the journals of their respective bodies relative to the vote cast for a senator in congress from this state.

The chief clerk of the senate then read from the senate journal of Tuesday, January 26, 1897, as follows:

ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATOR.

On motion of Senator Baxter,

The senate proceeded to ballot for United States senator.

The roll was called and the following senators voted for Hon. John C. Spooner:

Senators Austin, Baxter, Conger, Davis, Dennett, Devos, Fisher, Green, Lamoreux, Mailer, McGillivray, Mills, Munson, Peirce, Phillips, Putnam, Riordan, Roehr, Stebbins, Stout, Timme, Thayer, Welton, Whelan, Whitehead, Whitman, Withee and Youmans—28.

Senator Burke voted for Hon. Willis C. Silverthorn.

Senator Solliday voted for Hon. Edward S. Bragg.

Absent and not voting—Senator Mayer, McMullen and Woodworth—3.

The chief clerk of the assembly then read from the assembly journal of Tuesday, January 26, 1897 as follows:

12 O'Clock M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker, who announced that

The business before the assembly was the

ELECTION OF A UNITED STATES SENATOR.

Mr. Wheeler nominated Hon. John C. Spooner for United States senator.

Mr. Harvey seconded this nomination.

The clerk called the roll and the vote on United States senator resulted as follows:

For John C. Spooner:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—89.

For W. C. Silverthorn:

Messrs. Bechtel, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Minch and Schellenberg—6.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Pierce and Wolfinger—5.

The president then announced that the next order of business would be the election of a United States senator by the two houses in joint convention.

The clerk of the assembly then called the roll of the joint convention, and the vote for a United States senator was as follows:

For John C. Spooner:

Senators Austin, Baxter, Conger, Davis, Dennett, Devos, Fisher, Green, Lamoreux, Mailer, McGillivray, Mills, Munson, Peirce, Phillips, Putnam, Riordan, Roehr, Stebbins, Stout, Timme, Thayer, Welton, Whelan, Whitehead, Whitman, Withee, Woodworth and Youmans—29.

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buckstaff, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—88.

For Willis C. Silverthorn:

Senator Burke—1.

Messrs. Bechtel, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Lange, Schellenberg and Wolfinger—7.

For Edward S. Bragg:

Senators Mayer and Solldiday—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Flett, Maertz, Minch and Pierce—5.

Senator McMullen was excused from voting.

The president then announced the vote and Hon. John C. Spooner having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared duly elected United States senator for a term of six years from March 4, 1897.

On motion of Senator McGillivray The president appointed a committee of five, two from the senate and three from the assembly, to wait upon the senator-elect, inform him of the action of the convention and invite him to appear before it.

The following gentlemen composed the committee:

Messrs. McGillivray and Mailer from the senate, and Messrs. Stone, Wheeler and Lange, from the assembly.

Awaiting the appearance of the senator-elect, the convention was informal.

The committee announced the presence of the Hon. John Spooner, United States senator elect.

The president presented him to the convention and greeted him with the following remarks:

Mr. Spooner: On behalf of this joint convention, representing an overwhelming majority of the people of Wisconsin, we greet you as the meritorious beneficiary of retributive justice. We do now and here deliver to you that which you were entitled to receive six years ago. While "six years" may have an ominous sound, this legislature has declared that in your case the statute of limitations do not apply. We offer this gift to you in the firm belief that the harmonious and unanimous sentiment with which it is tendered will be to you like the blessing of a parent, an inspiration to noble endeavor, a safeguard against pit-falls, the guarantee of an untarnished record. And thus these men, speaking the voice of the people, do by these presents, constitute and appoint you once more—Senator Spooner.

In response, Senator Spooner spoke as follows:

Mr. President, Gentlemen of the Convention: If my heart beats too fast for comfort, it is your fault not mine. Your committee has informed me that acting upon the journal of each house, read here as required by law, this convention has declared me duly elected as senator of the United States for the term beginning on the 4th day of March next.

Comprehending with grateful sensibility the magnitude of this honor, and the very gracious and generous manner with

which it has been bestowed upon me, I lament that there are not words at my command with which fitly to testify my gratitude. Solemnly I pledge myself at all times to remember that this great trust which, for a period is to be put in my keeping, was created and exists only for the benefit of the people. To the uttermost of my power to labor and to think, it shall be used in the interest of the people and for the benefit of the people. More than this they will not ask from me; with less than this they should not be content.

The distinguished gentleman whom I am shortly to relieve from service in the senate, has well and easily maintained the high standard of skill, learning and eloquence in debate long ago set for Wisconsin in that body by Doolittle, Howe, Carpenter, and Cameron. He has been constant in his attention to duty, assiduous in its discharge, fearless in advocacy in the principles in which he believes, and he has not suffered himself to be influenced in official action by mere glamour within or without the senate chamber. The latter years of his service have afforded him opportunity of which he quickly availed, to demonstrate in a conspicuous way that with him patriotism and principle are altogether stronger than the ties of party and of political association. He may justly take to his heart as he returns to private life the comforting assurance that he is more firmly established in the esteem of the people than ever before during his long, eventful and distinguished public career.

Gentlemen, I take the liberty to say, speaking of one not now in public life, and without purpose in any degree to disparage the gentleman who for the time is to be my colleague in the senate, that I recall with a pang of regret the fact that I am not to be welcomed back to the United States senate by Philetus Sawyer, the daily companion of my former service in that body. No senator ever had a more kindly, considerate or helpful colleague than he was to me, and I shall greatly miss his presence and the aid of his wisdom and industry. During 22 years of public life he rendered to the people of Wisconsin and to his party within the state service, which in general efficiency and value, is without a parallel in the history of either. He has well earned the veneration and respect with which he is everywhere regarded.

While I have been elected to the senate as a republican by republicans, and shall of course be loyal to the republican party, which I deeply love, and to its principles in which I firmly believe, I am conscious nevertheless, that when I take the oath of office, I become a senator from Wisconsin, and a servant of all of her people. It will therefore be my duty, and it will be cheerfully performed, to conserve to the best of my ability every interest of the people of this state by whomsoever it may be

presented, which may properly claim the care and attention of a senator.

I have been permitted hitherto, gentlemen, to address those to whose votes I am directly indebted for the honor which I here today gratefully acknowledge, and therefore it is neither necessary nor proper that I should longer detain this joint assembly. I thank you with all my heart for the reception which you have pleased to accord to me, and I thank you for your attention.

The president then declared the joint convention adjourned *sine die*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Winter offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welsh, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker--95.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Clason, Maertz, Pierce and Sether—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Sether indefinitely.

To Messrs Clason and Cashin for this session.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Jt. Res. No. 5, A.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the judiciary committees of the senate and assembly be and they are

hereby authorized to appoint a joint sub-committee consisting of one member from the senate committee on Judiciary and two members from the assembly committee on Judiciary, to examine and consider bill No. 33, S., entitled, "A bill to revise the general statutes." Said sub-committee, when so appointed, to prosecute its work under the directions of said senate and assembly bly committees on Judiciary and report progress to them; further,

Resolved, That said sub-committee, when so appointed, be, and the same is hereby authorized to employ a suitable clerk other than the author or authors of said bill 33 aforesaid, to assist in its labors, and shall be furnished by the superintendent of public property with such laws, statutes and other books as it may require; that it shall be the duty of such committee to embody in their proper places in said bill such laws as may be enacted at this session, as ought to form a part of the proposed statutes, and that it may have such printing done as may be necessary for the performance of its duties; further

Resolved, That Jt. Res. No. 7, S., be and the same is hereby rescinded.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Taylor:

Jt. Res. No. 6, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That all bills introduced in either house of the legislature shall be at once referred to the appropriate committee indicated by its title, or some other standing committee; and no bill introduced in either house shall be referred to a select committee of one or ordered not printed. The end and purpose of this joint resolution being to prevent the introduction of bills known as "dead heads."

Was laid over.

By Mr. Woller:

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the superintendent of public property be and is hereby instructed to procure typewriting machines for the use of the stenographers in the senate and assembly as provided by chapter 300, laws of 1895.

Was laid over.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 114, A.,

A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands.

To committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 115, A.,

A bill to encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money for that purpose.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895 relating to duties and powers of superintendents of work house.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Woller:

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Edwards:

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend sections 7 and 20 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 119, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of any city in this state having a population of 100,000 or more, to cause railway companies to erect retaining walls in certain cases.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Welsh:

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to liability of common carriers.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Clack:

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 288 of the laws of 1881.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Feige:

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Utt:

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Hinds:

No. 124, A.,

A bill authorizing the purchase of Ira A. Ridgway's painting of Old Fort Winnebago.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Lewis: (By request.)

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes relating to liens of mechanics and others.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe the mode of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 13, A.,

A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wis.,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

FRANK A. ANSON,

Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, and recommend the passage of the bill when so amended.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 8, A.,

A bill making the general terms in the sixteenth judicial circuit a special term for all the counties in said circuit,

No. 58, A.,

A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers and amendatory of section 711 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of county officers,"

No. 59, A.,

A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes relating to new trials in criminal cases,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that bills No. 8, A., and No. 58, A., do pass; and bill No. 59, A., with amendment, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Legislative Expenditures, to whom was referred:

Res. No. 9, A.,

Instructing the sergeant-at-arms to deliver to each assemblyman's desk one copy of insurance laws of Wisconsin and supreme court decisions now in force,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be adopted.

A. L. UTT,
Chairman.

The resolution was adopted.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

Was referred to committee on Claims.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

To provide for the appointment of a committee of three from the assembly and four from the senate to investigate and report why electric lights have not been placed in the capitol and capitol park.

Was adopted.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment reported by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages,

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment reported by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of the collection of taxes,"

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Schellenberg,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1897.

10:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Winter offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Frauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—82.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Buttles, Cashin, Feige, Frink, Gawin, Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Staples, Welch and Woller—18.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Cashin, Feige, Frink, Gawin, Klabunde, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Rutherford, D. K. Smith, Welch, Wiperman and Woller for this session.

To Mr. Buttles until next Wednesday.

To Mr. Staples until next Tuesday.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Niss:

Res. No. 14, A.,

That the chief clerk be instructed to have printed 300 additional copies of assembly bills Nos. 6 and 41.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Ray:

Res. No. 15, A.,

That the use of the assembly chamber be granted the state historical society for a meeting to be held Thursday evening, February 4.

Was adopted.

By Mr. True:

Res. No. 16, A.,

That when the assembly adjourn it be until Monday evening next at 8:30 o'clock.

Was adopted

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 5, A.,

Of C. R. Sturdevant and others, of Clark county, favoring passage of a game law allowing the use of bird dogs in hunting certain birds.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 6, A.,

To prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, signed by over 22,000 persons from nearly every county in the state.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Wylie:

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 131, A.

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurers.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 134, A.,

A bill to amend section 1259 of the annotated statutes relating to the returning of highway taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Edwards:

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to municipal court of the city and town of Ripon.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Krauss:

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 137, A.,

A bill to amend sections 662 and 663 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county board of supervisors.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 139, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to the terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the work house of any county or counties.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 5, A.,

No. 29, A.,

A bill to revise the general statutes of Wisconsin,

Have had No. 43, A., and Jt. Res. No. 5, A., under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that No. 43, A., do pass, and that Jt. Res. No. 5, A., be indefinitely postponed.

And I am also instructed to report back No. 29, A., without consideration, and with the recommendation that same be referred to the joint special committee appointed under Jt. Res., No. 7, S., pursuant to such resolution.

I am further instructed to report that such committee has agreed upon and appointed Assemblymen W. H. Flett, W. G. Wheeler, D. F. Jones and L. C. Harvey to be members of the joint special committee, under Jt. Res. No. 7, S., to consider the bill entitled "A bill to revise the general statutes," 29, A.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

So ordered as to bill No. 29, A.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages,

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "Of the collection of taxes."

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:
No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize Geo. W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred:
Jt. Res. No. 8, S.,

To authorize the governor to certify the list of certain swamp lands to the general government,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it be concurred in.

ANDREW JENSEN,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 37, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 658, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, January 29, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

I submit herewith the report of the committee from the legislature appointed by my predecessor in office to visit the penal and charitable institutions of the state.

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

REPORT OF VISITING COMMITTEE—1896-1897.

To the Governor and Honorable Legislature of the State of Wisconsin:

The committee, appointed in conformity with the statutes, by your predecessor, the Hon. W. H. Upham, to visit the several charitable and penal institutions maintained by the state, have performed the duty assigned to them, and respectfully submit the following report:

The institutions visited were the state hospital for the insane at Mendota, the northern hospital for the insane at Oshkosh, the Milwaukee hospital for the insane at Wauwatosa, the school for the blind at Janesville, the school for the deaf at Delavan, the Milwaukee day school for the deaf (semi-state), the soldiers' home at Waupaca, the state prison at Waupun, the industrial school for boys at Waukesha, the industrial school for girls at Milwaukee (semi-state), the house of correction at Milwaukee (county), the state school for dependent and neglected children at Sparta, and the home for the feeble-minded at Chippewa Falls.

In conducting our examinations of these institutions we availed ourselves of all the extraneous sources of information at our command, as well as carefully studying the practical operation of each.

We take pleasure in communicating to you the fact that we found these institutions generally in a healthy and prosperous condition. Especially may the people of the state of Wisconsin feel proud of their charitable institutions. It is apparent to us that under the wise and faithful supervision of the state board of control, these and all other institutions under their supervision have recently made appreciable advancement in the line of effectiveness. It must be borne in mind that many of the buildings of our state institutions are old and some of them but illy adapted to their present uses, yet by well directed and persistent effort these have been well nigh brought up to modern ideas, at least so far as the comfort and care of their inmates are concerned.

THE HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

The hospitals for the insane, located at Mendota and Oshkosh, are both filled to nearly their full capacities, the Mendota hospital containing a population of 431, and the Oshkosh northern hospital, 538. Both reflect credit upon the state as well as upon those whose efforts have raised them to their present high degree of efficiency. The manner of caring for those bereft of reason is indexical of the morality of a people. The insane of Wisconsin not only receive the most modern and scientific treatment, but they are constantly sur-

rounded by an atmosphere of kindness. The old methods of physical restraint have fallen into desuetude, and no one need fear to commit a friend to either of these institutions. This is not said in the way of unctuous routine, but after a careful examination, with a view of ascertaining actual facts. Your committee believes that Wisconsin is not behind any state in the union, so far as the care and management of insane is concerned, although something is to be desired in the way of mechanical and architectural improvements in the plants themselves.

State Hospital for the Insane at Mendota.

This institution has been in operation for over forty years, and has gained and is maintaining an enviable reputation. From time to time improvements have been made, and while architecturally it may be somewhat deficient, in its management and care of the insane it is on a level with the best in our land. Its buildings are picturesquely and healthfully located upon a wooded elevation upon the north shore of Lake Mendota.

Unfortunately when this institution was constructed sanitation was not as exact a science as now, and hence much effort has been and is being expended to overcome original defects in this line. Chief among these defects in this institution was ventilation, the doors and windows being depended upon to furnish the fresh air supply. At the instance of Dr. W. B. Lyman, the present efficient superintendent, a practical system is being put into operation, whereby fresh air will circulate throughout the buildings from other sources.

There appears to be at present no other way of drainage than into Lake Mendota, which is greatly to be deplored. As soon as practicable your committee recommends that this institution be lighted by electricity.

Until very recently the Mendota hospital has had no infirmary, the sick being cared for in the wards among the well. The present superintendent has utilized an upper ward for this purpose. The inconvenience of conveying those who have bodily ailments from the various wards is obvious. An elevator, motor power for which already exists, is needed. The crowded condition of this hospital calls for increased room; 43,000 feet of utilizable floor space can be cheaply added to the plant by building a single four story wall across a double angle, and covering with roof. By this addition, besides furnishing room for general purposes the amusement hall can be nearly doubled in size, which is much needed, and the infirmary can also be made sufficiently commodious.

Northern Hospital for the Insane.

The northern hospital for the insane is a modern structure, and therefore very complete in its appointments. It is under

the superintendency of Dr. W. A. Gordon, who has introduced several innovations which have proven salutary. Among these is the congregate dining system, which has favorably affected discipline. He has also withdrawn certain restraints which were more of the nature of a prison than of a hospital, with the most gratifying results. Like the hospital at Mendota, everything is kept scrupulously clean and tidy, and such is the decorum of the place that it is difficult to realize it to be the home of the mad. All the sanitary conditions appear to be excellent. We may perhaps except the drainage, which is into Lake Winnebago, and not far removed from the intake pipe that furnishes water for bathing, washing, etc. The state could set a good example by using the entire detritus of this plant for fertilizing purposes, and at the same time make it a source of income.

For sanitary, as well as economic reasons, this institution, as well as the one at Mendota, and for that matter all other of our charitable and penal institutions not already so supplied, should be furnished electric lighting as soon as possible. It is also obvious that all our institutions should be supplied with iron beds. We cannot refrain from adding that under the present management a very material decrease in expense has been accomplished, while the effectiveness of this institution as a hospital for the treatment of insanity has as materially augmented.

HOSPITAL FOR THE CRIMINAL INSANE.

We recommend that a separate institution be established for insane criminals and those of homicidal tendencies, or who are incorrigibly violent and dangerous. The presence of these in our hospitals is pernicious, oft times retarding the recovery of patients, besides being a source of constant danger. The restraint necessary to this class of cases is inimical to the well being of a hospital. The idea of a prison should be as far removed from the minds of the insane patients as possible. Such an institution could be added as a mechanical part of either of the state hospitals, and yet afford complete isolation for this class of unfortunates.

COUNTY ASYLUMS.

Your committee also visited the Milwaukee County Insane Hospital which contains a population of 368, and found it in an excellent condition. This institution, besides being an asylum, admits patients for treatment.

There are now 23 county asylums in the state, all of which but the one at Milwaukee are devoted to the care of the chronic insane

SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AT JANESVILLE.

Your committee found this institution in a very satisfactory condition under the efficient management of Supt. H. F. Bliss. The buildings throughout were found to be in excellent condition, well heated, well lighted and ventilated as well as scrupulously clean.

The new addition, or school building, for which an appropriation of \$25,000 was made by the legislature in 1895, was found completed; and in the judgment of your committee the money appropriated was judiciously expended and the best possible results, for the money, obtained. With the completion of this building the school will now accommodate 175 to 200 pupils, and necessary attendants.

At the time of our visit 108 pupils were receiving instruction at the school; of this number 55 were male and 53 female, requiring the services of 13 teachers and 17 female and 6 male employes.

In addition to the regular elementary branches of education, pupils are taught the following industries:

- Broom-making,
- Mattress-making,
- Hammock-making,
- Carpet weaving,
- Chair caning.

The girls are taught knitting and sewing. Music is extensively taught at this school, and is an invaluable branch of education for the blind, as it very materially aids them in becoming self-supporting after graduating from the institution.

For the purpose of rendering the musical education of the pupils more thorough and practical, your committee would recommend that a special appropriation of \$3,500 be made for the purchase and installation of a pipe organ in the recently completed gymnasium hall of the new school building. This instrument will materially aid the faculty in the discharge of its duties, as well as enable them to give the pupils much instruction on the pipe organ as will fit them to accept positions as organists in the leading churches throughout the country, after graduation.

THE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AT DELAVAN.

The school for the education of the deaf at Delavan, under the superintendency of John W. Swiler, is maintaining its reputation for effective work. There are 187 pupils and a corps of fifteen teachers. There is an expression of happiness and content upon the faces of the children, revealing that they enjoy something more than the pleasure of gaining knowledge. In all of its appointments it is abreast of the times. The pupils are taught in both the oral and sign methods of communication. A

new building to be devoted to manual training is approaching completion which will be of great benefit in preparing pupils to become self-sustaining, and to discharge the duties of citizens as the law contemplates. This will necessitate the employment of two additional skilled teachers. The legislature will be asked for a small appropriation for this, and for the purchase of necessary apparatus.

The buildings we found to be in excellent condition. Well heated, but very imperfectly lighted; they were, however, well ventilated and exceptionally clean. The heating and light plant of this institution is very unsatisfactory at present. The boilers are old, and are not in a safe condition, nor are they of sufficient capacity to furnish heat or power for the present buildings. It is the opinion of your committee that steps should be taken immediately to correct this defect. New boilers of sufficient capacity, and a new dynamo should be provided for this institution. The boilers should be provided with condensing and fuel saving appliances of modern type, and, in our opinion, the state would thereby save forty per cent. of the present outlay for fuel. Aside from this, the institution is in first class condition.

MILWAUKEE DAY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

The Milwaukee day school for the deaf, operating under section 579a, chapter 31, R. S., has now fifty pupils with eight teachers. The oral method only is taught. The progress of the pupils is excellent, but, in our judgment, not better than at Delavan. It would be unfortunate if these institutions should become rivals in the sense of one impairing the usefulness of the other. There are also schools of this character established at Eau Claire, La Crosse, Oshkosh, Appleton, Fond du Lac, Manitowoc, Menasha, Wausau and Sheboygan. The object is to afford young deaf children an opportunity to acquire knowledge at home on a footing with hearing children.

Evidently it is desirable that this unfortunate class should begin the work of education as early as possible. It is manifestly a hardship to separate very young children from their parents, and this hardship is emphasized in the case of the deaf; but when these children arrive at a suitable age, the hardship is but little more than parents endure who are obliged to send their hearing children away from home to complete their education. The object of these schools is humane and they should receive the utmost consideration from the public. But, in the nature of things, these schools cannot be established within the reach of all for whom they are designed; only in the larger cities is it possible to conform to the conditions of the law, hence the school at Delavan must be considered the university for the deaf of Wisconsin.

THE VETERANS' HOME AT WAUPACA.

Among the most felicitous of the charitable institutions of the state is the veterans' home at Waupaca. On the banks of a beautiful lake, the wooded shores of which are elevated and picturesquely broken by nature, are situated the main buildings of this institution, surrounded by outlying neat and cosy cottages, in which many veterans enjoy all the comforts of home. Many of these cottages were donated by patriotic societies and philanthropic individuals.

This institution cannot be regarded as permanent. In the nature of things the necessity for it cannot long exist. Consequently the buildings were chiefly constructed with reference to pleasing the senses and affording comfort.

Prominent among the buildings recently completed is a neat church, an amusement hall, a dispensary and a hospital, presided over by skilled physicians. A few more cottages should be erected. An isolation hospital is also an urgent necessity, as there are now several cases of cancer and phthisis which should not be admitted to the general hospital.

It is the judgment of your committee that favorable consideration should at all times be given to the needs of this interesting institution, and such appropriations made as are necessary to keep existing buildings in good condition and provide such additional accommodations as are required.

THE STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR DEPENDENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN AT SPARTA.

This temporary home for dependent children is located on 224 acres of farm land, provided with commodious farm buildings, conveniently located and well equipped with modern agricultural appliances. The farm shows evidence of a high state of cultivation and is well stocked with a good grade of domestic animals. The buildings of this institution, in addition to those above enumerated, are an administration building, five cottages, modern school building, hospital, isolation hospital, boiler and power house, in which is located a laundry, and sewing and mending room. They are throughout in good condition, well ventilated, clean and comfortable.

The educational department of this institution is being conducted in a very satisfactory manner, and in accordance with modern educational ideas. There are in attendance at this time two hundred and fifty-one pupils, requiring the services of five teachers, and thirty-five female and fourteen male attendants. The older pupils, when not engaged in school duties, receive practical instruction in agricultural pursuits and domestic duties which is of great service in aiding them to become self-sustaining and useful members of society.

The new hospital, which is nearly completed, will supply a long felt want. It will require an additional appropriation at this time to complete and furnish it, as a former appropriation was found to be insufficient. When completed this hospital will be a model of comfort and convenience. The money formerly appropriated was judiciously expended, and your committee respectfully recommends the appropriation of a sufficient amount to complete and furnish it.

The heating and lighting facilities at this institution were found to be exceptionally faulty. The furnaces which supply heat for the several buildings are old and unsafe. They are badly cracked in many places and are inadequate to supply sufficient heat in extremely cold weather, without crowding them beyond their capacity, and, thereby, incurring danger of loss of life and property by fire. The light is furnished by a home gasoline gas plant and is very unsatisfactory. Inasmuch as the present system of heating is a constant menace to the building as well as its inhabitants, your committee would recommend that immediate steps be taken to provide this institution with a central heating and electrical lighting plant, the present buildings being sufficiently commodious to furnish space for the same.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS AT WAUKESHA.

Upon examination of the industrial school for boys located at Waukesha, under the management of Mr. J. G. Hart, your committee find the sanitary conditions detrimental to health in some of the homes, as well as in most of the recitation rooms of the school buildings. An inefficient system of heating and lighting exists here and your committee would suggest that the board of control take such action as it may deem necessary to ascertain the expense of changing the present local system of heating and lighting to a central plant of sufficient capacity to generate electricity, power and heat, with an increased capacity of not less than 25 per cent.

There is now consumed for heating and other purposes:

300 cords of wood, worth from \$1.75 to \$4.00 per cord.....	\$904 00
460 tons of coal, at \$5.60 per ton.....	2,576 00
800 tons of soft coal, at \$2.35 per ton	1,880 00

Amounting in all for one year, to..... 85,360 00

It is reasonable to suppose from data gathered at plants using the latest improved methods of heating, lighting, etc., that by the above mentioned change a saving of at least twenty-five per cent. could be effected, and at the same time a much better service obtained.

Steps should be taken to properly ventilate all living, sleeping and recitation rooms and to change the present method of bathing to a more cleanly one,—a plunge bath with a sufficient

supply of clean water for every bather,—or shower baths, thereby reducing to a minimum any danger of spreading a contagion.

The farm of four hundred acres yields annually a large quantity of cereals, roots, hay, live stock, etc.

As it appears to your committee, the above repairs and changes are absolutely necessary to place this institution in a good sanitary condition. Therefore, we would recommend an appropriation sufficient for these purposes.

MILWAUKEE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The industrial school for girls is sustained by a per capita tax. Your committee finds this school in almost excellent sanitary condition, doing a commendable and effective work in its educational department, as well as training the girls in household duties. The management reflects upon the ladies in charge of the same great credit in every department; even in contracting for building its different cottages there is every evidence of marked executive ability. Maternal love in caring for the children in all departments, is evinced by the happy faces and cleanliness around the institution. There are now in the school 269 boys and girls. Boys are dismissed from the school at ten years of age. Unless friends are prepared to take them, they are transferred to the state public school at Sparta. The institution is responsible for girls until 21 years of age. Whenever their conduct warrants, they are returned to friends, or work is procured for them elsewhere. The institution at the present time is occupied to its full capacity. There is a great need for another cottage similar to the Russell cottage, recently constructed, and some repairs, which would require an outlay of about \$18,000.00. If these improvements, and repairs are made, they would meet the necessities of this institution for some years to come, but your committee does not recommend an appropriation at the present time on account of the depressed condition of business throughout the state.

Inasmuch as this school is not under the direct management of the state, it is unnecessary for your committee to go into minute details.

HOME FOR THE FEEBLE MINDED AT CHIPPEWA FALLS.

This institution is a new departure for our commonwealth in the way of caring for an exceedingly unfortunate class of human beings. Every county in the state has long felt the necessity for it. It is intended to furnish an abode for public charges who ought not to be in our poor-houses, our jails, our insane asylums or at large; in short a class who have had heretofore no place where they could be properly or even humanely cared for.

It is estimated that there are more than one thousand of these imbeciles within our borders, and when they can be accommodated in this new institution, our state will not only have performed a sacred duty towards them, but nearly every community will be relieved of a greivous burden and a standing social menace.

Two years ago the legislature made an appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars for this plant, and the state board of control secured a suitable site for it near Chippewa Falls, and immediately began the work of construction. Six hundred and twenty-one acres of land were donated by the city of Chippewa Falls, besides ten thousand dollars in money. The board of control has since purchased four hundred acres additional, so that now the state has title to one thousand and twenty-one acres of excellent land. In the judgment of your committee no better selection could have been made either for beauty, utility or economy. The buildings are located upon an elevated plateau, commanding a view of the river and well adapted for drainage. The heat and light plant and all the outlying buildings are constructed anticipatory of the future growth of the dwelling portion of the institution. There is now room for about 250 inmates, and these will be received about April first.

In our judgment no public moneys ever have been expended in this state more economically or judiciously, and we recommend that another appropriation be made by the present legislature for additional buildings.

THE STATE PRISON.

The state prison at Waupun, is, as the name indicates, a place where law-breakers of all degrees of criminality are confined, and associate upon a level, from the vilest and most criminal to the comparatively innocent. No attempt at classification or separation has, as we believe, ever been made, nor is it contemplated by our laws. In our judgment this is against public policy.

The personal contact of these widely separated classes of convicts most certainly inure to the great disadvantage of all who are not instinctively criminal, and serves therefore, to thwart one of the most important objects of our penal code, viz., the reformation of transgressors. By this indiscriminate association of convicts our prison becomes of necessity, in a greater or less degree, a school for the propagation of vice; nor can the most watchful care of our wardens and attendants prevent it. To say nothing of the moralities involved it is evidently against the public interests, to send annually a large number of mild offenders to our prison and turn them loose in a few years as graduates of crime, to renew their offenses against society and to again and again become a burden to the taxpayer. We do not assert that all mild

offenders pursue this downward course after being discharged from prison, but we do assert that their aptitude for crime is greatly increased by association with the vicious and depraved, and it is humiliating that a great state like Wisconsin should even in a measure, contribute to such a result.

Having in view many like institutions now being happily and successfully operated in other states and countries, your committee recommends that a state reformatory, separate and apart from our prison, be constructed for the confinement of mild offenders and such as are not hardened to crime, with a view of discharging them at the expiration of their sentence better men and women—"cured of their errors." For philanthropic as well as for economic reasons your committee urges that immediate action looking toward the establishment of a state reformatory be taken by the legislature. Your committee has collected some data regarding state reformatories which they will willingly collate should you or the honorable legislature so desire.

The general management of the state prison is as good as the laws demand or the construction of the building admit of. The "law of silence" enforced in prisons cannot prevent communication among five or six hundred men in daily contact, in their workshops or exercising in the corridors. As one of the prison officials remarked, "There is a sort of telepathy among convicts which enables them all to know everything that is going on."

The prison structure, so far as the cells are concerned, is an anachronism. These cells are of solid masonry and are four feet wide by seven and one-half feet long, and seven feet high, containing only 210 cubic feet of air. The principal ventilation is through the grated door, the air supply being derived from the corridors. Atmospheric conditions or neglect may easily interfere with this supply, and such interference would be an outrage upon humanity. We are informed that a system of fans is to be established and it is to be hoped that the corridors will at all times be supplied with fresh pure air.

The roofs of the prison are in bad repair and should be rebuilt. It has been suggested that the roofs of the wings, which are now concave, should be made of sufficient convex pitch to enable the construction of another tier of cells in each wing. This could be easily and cheaply done, but as the greatest objection to our prison is its meager, ill ventilated and sepulchral cells, and as we believe that a state reformatory will at no distant day greatly decimate the prison population we recommend that appropriation for a new roof only be made.

There are now forty-two employes of the prison, including warden and matron.

PRISON LABOR.

There is no division of sentiment among those who have made a study of penology regarding prison labor in that

some form of work is essential for the well being of prisoners. A decent economy at once suggests that such labor be utilized to reimburse the state. To that end various manufactures are carried on in our prison at Waupun. The chief employment at present is the manufacture of boots and shoes. A Chicago firm, N. D. Wells & Co., have contracted to employ at least 300 men in this line, and more when business conditions warrant, and to pay the state fifty cents per day per capita for their labor. This contract will expire January 1st, 1897. From this source the state received \$103,000 for the biennial period ending September 30th, 1896. The company purchases all necessary machinery, and besides the prison labor above mentioned, furnishes employment for a large number of citizens. At the present time 360 prisoners are employed, this pay-roll amounting to the state in the month of October, to \$4,473.15. For the same time the pay-roll for one hundred citizens amounted to \$7,403.97.

Quite a number of prisoners find employment in the culinary department, laundry, tailor's shop, etc.

The principal objection to prison labor is that it comes into competition with free labor. The force of this argument is somewhat broken in the case of Waupun in that a large percentage of free labor is also employed. It is difficult to conceive of any form of prison labor, which would yield a revenue for the state, but would displace a like amount of free labor, whether it be labor upon our public highways or in any of the lines of manufacture. Your committee, however, believes that such discrimination in the employment of prisoners should be exercised as will least interfere with free labor in general and better fit convicts for maintaining themselves upon gaining their liberty.

It is evidently an injustice, also, for prison-made articles to be offered for sale at prices below those fixed by the markets.

The question of prison labor is one that demands the most careful investigation of legislators. Above every other consideration is the fact that all convicts should have steady and healthful employment. Humanity demands it, and economy points out that such labor should be rendered to the advantage of the state.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Here is an institution of industry supplied with the latest improved machinery, capable of manufacturing chairs of different patterns and styles, at prices which enable the county to dispose of them in any market and against any competition. There exists, however, a condition which militates against making an absolutely successful competitor of this institution with kindred industries employing free labor, in consequence of which there are many articles

turned out with large earmarks in conspicuous places. Such damaged goods are either sold at cost, or less. This is caused by the constant change and shifting of inmates, some of whom have been committed for thirty days, others for a longer period. Therefore, there are few of the inmates who become skilled workmen, and are in no better condition for earning a livelihood than they were prior to comitment. There are at the present time 354 inmates, from sixteen years of age, and older.

Your committee believes that every institution intended as a reformatory should maintain a strict system of grading, whereby the comparatively innocent may be kept entirely aloof from the vicious, especially do the young in our industrial schools learn as much from associates as from teachers, and this is no reflection on their pedagogy. It is presumable that all who enter these institutions are inclined towards vice, and hence easily led astray; therefore, we recommend that all state institutions intended for reformatories be required by law to establish a graded system.

In conclusion we would suggest the wisdom of keeping the general public thoroughly informed regarding the scope, the great importance and the mighty work of our charitable and penal institutions; as it is, only a small percentage of our citizens have any definite knowledge of these subjects, the official reports of our institutions finding their way only into the hands of a few.

The people of the state of Wisconsin are not niggardly, and they will be quick to respond to the necessities of our institutions when such necessities become understood by them. In our opinion some method should be devised for disseminating a general knowledge of every institution in the state, supported by the taxpayers, either through the newspapers, local and general, or by pamphlet mailed from time to time to every interested citizen. We do not doubt the result. A general acquaintance with our noble institutions will engender a just pride in them on the part of those whose pocket-books must be opened for their support, and their maintenance will cease to be regarded as a burden.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. W. WOODWORTH,

On the part of the Senate.

W. T. LEWIS,

F. J. McGRATH,

On the part of the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
The report was ordered spread upon the journal, and
Was referred to the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 9, S.,

Requesting information from board of regents of state university.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

The rules were suspended, and

Jt. Res. No. 9, S.,

Was concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 6, A.,

Prohibiting the introduction of bills commonly known as "dead heads,"

Was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

Relating to procuring typewriting machines for use in the legislature,

Was, on motion of Mr. Hurd,

Referred to the committee on Legislative Expenditures.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages,

Was read a third time and passed.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 4, A.,

Mr. Wheeler offered an amendment,

Which was adopted.

Mr. Stone moved that the bill be referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr Anson called for a division of the house on the vote on this motion.

The motion was not adopted.

The amendment reported by the committee on Claims, to

No. 4, A.,

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Nos. 8, 13, and 58, A.,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment reported by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 59, A.,

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

No. 55, A.,

Was made a special order for Tuesday, February 2d, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Mr. Bullard moved that the order referring,

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

To the committee on Legislative Expenditures,

Be rescinded.

The motion was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 7, A., as amended,

On motion of Mr. McGrath,

Inserting the word "four" before the words "type writing machines,"

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,

The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kempton offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—83.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Buffington, Burnham, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Fogo, Frink, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Morgan, Rosenkrans, Sether, Staples, Wipperman and Yorkey—17.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Morgan until Wednesday.

To Messrs. Burnham, D. F. Jones, Buffington, Rosenkrans, Clason, Fogo, Davidson, Staples, Wipperman, Dresser, Jensen, Sether, Lange, Frink and Yorkey, for this session.

The journal of Friday was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 140, A.,

A bill relating to prison labor.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 141, A.,

A bill providing for employment of convict labor.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Eaton: (By request.)

No. 142, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of viaducts across gullies, running streams or railroad tracks by counties in this state, and for the issuing of county bonds therefor.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sum of money therein named;" approved April 9, 1895.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 145, A.,

A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in common schools.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. True:

No. 146, A.,

A bill to require tax rolls in towns and villages to be indexed.

To committee on Assessments and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hurlbut: (By request:)

No. 147, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2 and 3, chapter 243, laws 1895, entitled, "An act to codify and amend the laws relating to countersigning diplomas and life certificates."

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Plummer:

No. 148, A.,

A bill granting ferry privileges to P. N. Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Marsh: (By request.)

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, relating to garnishment proceedings in justice courts.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

No. 150, A.,

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into this state, or in the manufacture and sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material; to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations designed, or which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or article to producer or consumer of any such product or article; to provide for forfeiture in the charter and franchise of any corporation organized under the laws of this state, violating any of the provisions of this act; to prohibit every foreign corporation, violating any of the provisions of this act, from doing business in this state; to require the attorney general of this state to institute legal proceedings against any such corporations violating the provisions of this act, and to enforce the penalties prescribed; to prescribe penalties for any violations of this act; to authorize any person or corporation, damaged by any such trust, agreement, or combination, to sue for the recovery of such damage and for other purposes.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

No. 151, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, by chapter 296 of the laws of 1885, and by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida."

To committee on Judiciary,

By Mr. Wheeler: (By request.)

No. 154, A.,

A bill relating to the naturalization and the declaration of intention of aliens to become citizens of the United States.

To committee on State Affairs.

MEMORIALS TO CONGRESS.

By Mr. Agen:

Memorial to Congress, No. 1, A.,

For certain amendments to the act authorizing the construction of a steel bridge over the St. Louis river, between the states of Wisconsin and Minnesota.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

The rules were suspended, and

The memorial was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 5, A.,

Providing for the appointment of a sub-Judiciary committee of one from the senate and two from the assembly,

Was, on motion of Mr. Ray,

Laid over.

Jt. Res. No. 8, S.,

To authorize the governor to certify the lists of certain swamp lands to the general government,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of the collection of taxes,"

Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Latta,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Baskerville offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Burnham, Clason, Connors, Frink, Jones D. F., Lange, Sether, Sheffer, Thompson and Wipperman—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. D. F. Jones, Burnham, Thompson, Clason, Lange, Frink, Wipperman and Sether for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Wolff:

Pet. No. 7, A.,

Petition of the teachers of Sheboygan county against the repeal of the law requiring the payment of the one dollar fee, by applicants for teachers' certificates.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 8, A.,

Petition of 80 electors of Waukesha county in relation to fish and game law.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 9, A.,

Petition of freeholders of the town of Scandinavia, Waupaca county, relating to village organizations.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 10, A.,

Petition of 11 freeholders of the town of Scandinavia, Waupaca county, relating to village organizations.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 11, A.,

Petition signed by S. M. Thama and 204 others, asking the passage of laws taxing mortgages, and a law describing the ingredients to be used in the manufacture of pure food and drink,

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Eaton:

Res. No. 17, A.,

Ordering additional copies of Nos. 140 and 141, A.,

Was adopted.

By Mr. Hall:

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privileges or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates.

To committee on Judiciary.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 155, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125, laws of Wisconsin of 1895, relating to affidavits taken in other states.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county, Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 157, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to Winnebago county court.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Plummer:

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 159, A.

A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives, at Washington, a statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Bechtel:

No. 160, A.,

A bill to prevent county judges and clerks of the county courts from receiving any other compensation than the salary allowed by law.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bechtel:

No. 161, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 68, of the general laws of 1893, entitled "An act to reduce expenses in the circuit courts, and providing for the payment of fees of referees, etc."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 162, A.,

A bill to amend section 4467, of the revised statutes, so as to provide a penalty for disposing of property on which the purchase money, or on which a mechanic's lien has not been paid.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 163, A.,

A bill to provide for the equipment and furnishing of the state historical library building and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Rutherford:

No. 164, A.,

A bill relating to requirements to entitle a plat of land to be recorded.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Sweeting:

No. 165, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 166, A.,

A bill to amend section 3315 of chapter 143 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of liens," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1885, chapter 535 of the laws of 1887, chapter 333 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 321 of the laws of 1891.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 167, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service of cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 169, A.,

A bill to provide for the certificate of United States surveyor being admitted as legal evidence in the courts of this state.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hogan:

No. 170, A.,

A bill relating to the service of civil and criminal process by municipal officers.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Staples:

No. 171, A.,

A bill to lessen the expense of trial and examinations in criminal cases, and to amend section 751 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Staples:

No. 172, A.,

A bill to designate what material shall be used in public buildings in the state.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 174, A.,

A bill to provide for the drainage of certain overflowed lands.

To committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Relating to the banking code, and

Jt. Res. No. 11, S.,

For the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and report on the condition of the executive mansion.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

To provide for the appointment of a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate to investigate and report why electric lights have not been placed in the capitol and capitol park; and

Jt. Res. No. 6, A.,

Prohibiting the introduction of bills commonly known as "deadheads."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Was referred to committee on Finance. Banks and Insurance.

Jt. Res. No. 11, S.,

Was laid over.

Acting under Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

The speaker appointed as members of the special committee on the part of the assembly,

Messrs. Marsh, McDonald and Rosenkrans.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 5, A.,

Providing for sub-committee to consider No. 33, S.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 37, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 658, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued,

Was, on motion of Mr. Clark,

Re-referred to committee on Judiciary.

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Waukesha county, Wisconsin,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

Was, on motion of Mr. Harvey,

Re-referred to committee on Lumber and Mining.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order for to-day,
Bill No. 55, A.,
Was, on motion of Mr. Wheeler,
Postponed until 11 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, February 9th, 1897.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Baskerville offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanly, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent with leave.—Messrs. Burnham, Clack, Frink, Jones D. F., Morgan, Sether and Thompson—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Morgan, Sether and Thompson indefinitely.

To Messrs. Burnham, Clack, Frink and D. F. Jones for this session.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 12, A.,

Petition of Annie E. Schaffer, county superintendent of schools for Chippewa county, against the repeal of chapter No. 331, laws of 1895, relating to a fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teachers' certificates.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 13, A.,

Petition from Outagamie county board for memorial to congress asking that presidential term be made six years.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 14, A.,

Petition and resolution from Outagamie county board relating to publication of election notices.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 15, A.,

Petition of F. Richardson and 28 others, asking for the passage of the railway baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 16, A.,

Petition of Robert Clark and 14 others, asking for the passage of the railway baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 17, A.,

Petition of M. A. Poznanski and 38 others, asking for the passage of the railway baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 18, A.,

Petition of C. C. Lord and 16 others, asking for the passage of the railway baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Krauss:

No. 175, A.,

A bill to amend section 782 of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 176, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns."

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 177, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 725, of the revised statutes of the state, relating to the duties of sheriff.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 178, A.,

A bill to amend section 3315 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, and acts amendatory thereto, relating to liens of contractors.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes relating to the assessment of property.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hurd:

No. 180, A.,

A bill to authorize the quartermaster general to have compiled and published the history of Wisconsin battle flags, and Old Abe, the war eagle.

To committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Connors:

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Connors:

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752, relating to district attorney."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McGrath:

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from 16 to 25 years.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Clason:

No. 184, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Juneau relating to the use of county jail.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 185, A.,

A bill to amend section 4224 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to limitations of actions.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to appealable orders.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Staples:

No. 187, A.,

A bill to construe chapter 292 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1883, "An act relating to the powers of towns and town boards containing incorporated villages."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Staples:

No. 188, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of the town of Iron River in Bayfield county, in the purchase of the waterworks system.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 189, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 353 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the payment of a license fee by owners of palace drawing room and sleeping car companies."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wolff:

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of, chapter 51 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act providing for the non-payment of taxes on wide-tired wagons."

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Fogo:

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 4771 of chapter 194 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to security for costs in criminal cases in justices' courts.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogo:

No. 192, A.,

A bill for the taxation of dogs.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Buttles: (By request.)

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Buttles: (By request.)

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 195, A.,

A bill to create a board of statutory revision.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 196, A.,

A bill to amend section 2356 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to causes for divorce.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 197, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington a statue of General Jeremiah M. Rusk.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 198, A.,

A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties in circuits in which they do not usually preside.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ray: (By request.)

No. 199, A.,

A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in cities of the second and third class.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Ray:

No. 200, A.

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of La Crosse, in and for the county of La Crosse.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ray:

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds.

To committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 66, A.,

A bill to repeal all laws requiring the publication of official matters by municipal corporations in the Polish language,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 35, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 48, section 1052, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "How property to be valued," by adding thereto,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 58, A.,

A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers, and amendatory of section 711, of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of county officers,"

No. 59, A.,

A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes, relating to the incorporation of villages,

No. 13, A.,

A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wisconsin,

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Wisconsin,

No. 8, A.,

A bill making the general terms of court in the sixteenth judicial circuit a special term for all other counties in said circuit.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 11, S.,

For the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and report on the condition of the executive mansion,
Was concurred in.

Acting under Jt. Res. No. 11, S.,

The speaker appointed

Messrs. Ray, Wolter and Welch as members of the joint committee of investigation on the part of the assembly.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 87; noes, none; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes — Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klambunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—87.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Clack, Fogo, Frink, Jones D. F., Morgan, Pratt, Rutherford, Sether, Sweeting, Thompson and Welch—13.

On motion of Mr. Treat.

The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Thompson offered prayer

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinder, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welsh, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—94.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Burnham, Edwards, McDonald, Olson, Sether and Thompson—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Olson until next Monday.

To Mr. Fogo after this session until next Tuesday.

To Mr. Sether indefinitely.

To Mr. Burnham for this session.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 19, A.,

Petition of 150 members of the M. E. church, Yorkville,
against the repeal of the Sunday laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Gawin: By request.)

Res. No. 18, A.,

Resolved, That 200 additional copies of medical bills, Nos. 6, A., and 41, A., be printed at once for the use of the committee and members of the legislature.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Buffington:

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

WHEREAS, The state university has been required by the legislature to make a statement to the legislature of its expenditure of money, its list of instructors, its number of students, etc.; and

WHEREAS, There are a great many citizens of the state of Wisconsin who do not think such statement will be comprehensive enough therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a joint committee of five, three from the assembly and two from the senate, be appointed to thoroughly examine and sift the figures furnished under the report of Jt. Res. No. 9, S., and to examine into the needs of such expenditure and conduct of the university administration, and to require such further statements from the faculty and board of regents as they may deem necessary.

Was laid over.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. White:

No. 203, A.,

A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers and the appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Legreid: (By request.)

No. 204, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 52, section 1304, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes; relating to appeals.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Woller:

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrar of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Connors:

No. 207, A.,

A bill to better protect cities, towns and counties and pertaining to the duties of judges, justices of the peace and clerks of the court.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 208, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lewis: (By request from state board of control.)

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to commitments to the home for feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 210, A.,

A bill to authorize cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes and to create park commissioners and prescribe their powers and duties.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Church: (By request.)

No. 211, A.,

A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218, laws of 1882, chapter 510, laws of 1889, and chapter 81, laws of 1895.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Beach:

No. 212, A.,

A bill to amend section 925c, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the division into classes of cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Froehlich:

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Froehlich:

No. 214, A.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first of section 52 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Mosher:

No. 215, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of drainage districts and for the construction, maintenance and repair of drains, ditches and levees in certain cases.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 216, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 68 of laws of 1893, regarding referees.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration."

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 219, A.,

A bill to create a superior court in Winnebago county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 220, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain all damages which any person has suffered and sustained by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221, laws of 1895, as printed and published in session laws for 1895, and to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to pay said commissioners and expenses of such commission and to pay the damages and injuries suffered and sustained by such persons.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 221, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to registers of deeds.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to practice of pharmacy."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 224, A.,

A bill relating to the stay of execution on judgments of justices of the peace in proceedings by certiorari, and relating to the trial of such proceedings.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, and recommendation that when so amended it do pass.

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named;" approved April 9th, 1885,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state, and to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes,

Have had same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 22, A.,

A bill to regulate the summoning of petit and grand jurors, to amend sections 2526, 2527, 2535, of the revised statutes, and acts amendatory thereof, and to repeal section 2536 of said statutes,

With amendments, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended,

Messrs. Wheeler, Wipperman, Flett and Harvey dissenting.

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

With amendments in the form of a substitute bill with the recommendation that said substitute do pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Relating to the revision of the banking code,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back by substitute and recommend the adoption of the substitute.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The amendment in form of a substitute for

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

As reported by the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance,

Was adopted.

The resolution as amended

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 8, A.,

A bill making the general terms of the circuit court in each county in the 16th judicial circuit a special term for all other counties in said circuit,

No. 13, A.,

A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wis.,

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Waukesha county, Wisconsin,

No. 58, A.,

A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers and amendatory of section 711 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of county officers,"

No. 59, A.,

A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 35, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 48, section 1052, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "How property to be valued," by adding thereto,

No. 66, A.,

A bill to repeal all laws requiring the publication of official matters by municipal corporations in the Polish language,

Were indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Schellenberg,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Baskerville offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—82.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Burnham, Clack, Davidson, Edwards, Feige, Fogo, Lange, Legried, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Polacheck, Sether, Smith D. K., Thompson, Wolfinger and Yorkey—18.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. D. K. Smith, Mosher, Wolfinger, Edwards, Feige, Yorkey, Clack, Niss, Burnham, Davidson, Lange, Sether, Polacheck and Legried for this session.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 20, A.,

Memorial of the county board of Dane county to the legislature respecting salary of county judge.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

Pet. No. 21, A.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Memorial of P. S. Spence and others, relating to fish and game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 225, A.,

A bill to amend section 3759 of chapter 160, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of appeals."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 226, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 182, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act amendatory of chapter 361, laws of 1891," entitled, "An act to exempt certain property from taxation, and amendatory of section 1038 of the revised statutes."

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. White:

No. 228, A.,

A bill relating to the election or appointment of women upon school boards, or boards of education in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. White:

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Church:

No. 230, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard.

To committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Risum:

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal a portion of chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin."

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Clason:

No. 233, A.,

A bill to prevent illegal charges upon counties.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Clason: (By request.)

No. 234, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, and chapter 296, of the laws of 1885, and chapter 286, of the laws of 1893, relating to the excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Clason:

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clason:

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 237, A.,

A bill to encourage the maintenance of permanent land marks and make public records thereof.

To committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 238, A.,

A bill relating to liens on logs and lumber, and to provide for a lien for supplies and materials.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 239, A.,

A bill to amend section 4680, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Change of venue in criminal cases."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 240, A.,

A bill relating to the manufacturing of pure beer.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Sweeting:

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Sweeting:

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 243, A.,

A bill to impose a penalty upon the owners of taxable personal property for refusing to make return thereof.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Sieker:

No. 244, A.,

A bill to amend section 2247, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Record of mortgage, how discharged."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 245, A.,

A bill to amend section 408, of the revised statutes of 1878 as amended by chapter 214, of the laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 7, of the laws of 1885, as amended by chapter 462, of the laws of 1891, relating to appropriation for teachers' institutes.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Wolter:

No. 247, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 363, of the laws of 1895, relating to the payment of license of street railroad companies within the state.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rutherford:

No. 248, A.,

A bill relating to cemetery corporations.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Minch:

No. 249, A.,

A bill to abolish the fees and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Froehlich: (By request.)

No. 250, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and taxation of real estate securities, legal or equitable, as interests in real estate therein described.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 251, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1024 and 1024a, chapter 47, of the annotated statutes, relating to records of deaths and fees for certificates.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Flett: (By request.)

No. 252, A.,

A bill pertaining to the duties of district attorney.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Utt:

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts.

To committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. McDonald.

No. 70, A.,

Was ordered withdrawn from the committee on Public Health and Sanitation and returned to the introducer.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455 of chapter 114 of revised statutes of 1878,

No. 94, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 1 of section 2646 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to pleading in courts of record,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal and police courts of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years,

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys,

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

With the recommendation the same do pass.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 281 of the laws of 1881,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, recommending its passage when so amended.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it do pass.

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The report of the committee on Agriculture

Was referred to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 76, A.,

A bill relating to authorization of the Manufacturers' Bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 11, S.,

A bill to authorize the German American Bank, of Oshkosh,

Wis., to reduce its capital stock from two hundred thousand dollars to one hundred thousand dollars,

No. 19, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend paragraph four of section 163, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to the duties of the attorney general,

No. 34, S.,

A bill to appropriate money for purchase of stationery for the use of the state,

No. 40, S.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay for the copies of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes for this legislature,

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend section 3982 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to guardians and wards.

And has concurred in

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Nos. 19, 27 and 43, S.,

Were severally referred the committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 34 and 40, S.,

Were referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 11, S.,

Was referred to committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

For the appointment of a special joint committee to examine and report upon the statement of the administration of the Wisconsin university, forthcoming under Jt. Res. No. 9, S.,

Was, on motion of Mr. Rutherford,

Laid over until next Wednesday.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors.

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sum of money therein named;" approved April 4, 1895,

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies.

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments proposed to

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state,

No. 22, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2526, 2527, 2535, and to repeal section 2536 of the revised statutes relating to the drawing of jurors,

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

Were adopted, and

The bills as amended,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment proposed to

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

Was adopted, and

The bill was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Ray moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Stone moved to amend by substituting 2 o'clock p. m.

The amendment was lost, and

The motion of Mr. Ray was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Schellenberg,
The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Updike offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Eaton, Feige, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polachek, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—82.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Connors, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Hall, Klabunde, Maertz, McDonald, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, White, Wipperman, Wylie and Yorkey—18.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Clack, McDonald, J. J. Smith, White, Maertz, Schellenberg, Edwards, Wipperman, Stanley, Hall, Klabunde, Dresser, Stone, Wylie, Yorkey, Connors, Flagg and Sether for this session.

The journal of Friday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 22, A.,

Petition of E. T. Burch and others, of Clark county, favoring passage of bill No. 86, S., relating to free transportation of bicycles.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 23, A.,

Petition of village board of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, for the passage of bill No. 48, A., for the repeal of the law exempting private insane asylums from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 24, A.,

Petition of residents of cities of Waupun, Rosendale, Fond du Lac and Fond du Lac county, for the passage of the proposed baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 25, A.,

Petition of E. V. Wernich and 75 others, in relation to fish and game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 26, A.,

Petition favoring bicycle baggage laws.

To committee on Railroads.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Mosher:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin be amended by prefixing thereto the following: "Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel," and by adding to said section the following: "No franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state or by its aid, or of any part thereof;" so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows, viz.:

Section 10. Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel, the state shall never contract any debt for works of internal improvement, or be a party in carrying on such works: but whenever grants of land or other property shall have been made to the state, especially dedicated by the grant to particular works of internal improvement, the state may carry on such particular works; and shall devote thereto the avails of such grants, and may pledge or appropriate the revenues derived from such works in aid of their completion. No franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state or by its aid, or of any part thereof.

To committee on Judiciary.

MEMORIALS TO CONGRESS.

By Mr. Welch:

Memorial to Congress, No. 2, A.,

Requesting consideration and passage of bill No. 3058, United States senate, now pending in congress,

Was referred to committee on Federal Relations.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Olson: (By request.)

No. 256, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154, of the laws of 1895.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Olson:

No. 257, A.,

A bill to secure the better preservation of fur-bearing animals.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Mosher:

No. 258, A.,

A bill to provide for the raising of school fund income and the distribution of the same.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 259, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1564 of the revised statutes relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and Sundays.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Burnham: (By request.)

No. 260, A.,

A bill to repeal section 4595, revised statutes, relating to the keeping open of shops, etc., and doing of labor on Sundays.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wolter:

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Plummer:

No. 262, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 38, of the laws of the state for the year 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the building of a bridge across the Chippewa at Durand."

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Welch:

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers."

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Welch:

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities."

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Hindes:

No. 265, A.,

A bill relating to elections and the counting and preservation of ballots, and repealing sections 64 and 75 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 266, A.,

A bill permitting the wife to testify in certain cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 267, A.,

A bill to amend sections 870e, 870f, 870g and 870i of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of liens."

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 270, A.,

A bill relating to the examination of adverse parties in legal proceedings amendatory of section 4096 of the annotated statutes, and chapter 141 of 1893.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 271, A.,

A bill relating to the granting and transferring of licenses for the sale of liquors in cities of the second and third class.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 272, A.,

A bill to regulate the term of liquor licenses in all towns, villages and cities.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 273, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the duties of a public examiner for the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 12 and 13 of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to securing secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes."

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Lange:

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Taylor: (By request.)

No. 277, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to provide for the sale and use of anti-toxine diphtheretic serum.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hurd:

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 279, A.,

A bill relating to county officers and to amend section 656 and subsection 7 of section 669 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9, of section 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 281, A.,

A bill to classify the state printing and repeal sections 296 to 304, inclusive, of chapter 20 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Printing.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 283, A.,

A bill to protect the payment of labor employed on public contract or improvements.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Peterson:

No. 284, A.,

A bill amending section 1, of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the state agricultural society.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 64, chapter 288, laws of 1893, relating to general elections.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Merriman:

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 287, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment and salaries of under-sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in Milwaukee county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 288, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of low water levels in inland lakes.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing.

To committee on Cities.]

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has non-concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 7, A.,

Relating to procuring typewriting machines for use in the legislature.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 8, S.,

A bill to authorize commissioners of public lands to invest a portion of the trust funds of the state in bonds of school district No. 2 of the city of Appleton,

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature, and to make appropriations therefor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE CONSIDERED.

No. 8, S.,

Was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 50, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Legislative Expenditures

On motion of Mr. Pierce,

No. 121, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Merrill,

No. 49, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

Four hundred additional copies of bill No. 235, A.,

Were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Frink,

Two hundred additional copies of bill No. 19, A.,

Were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,

The assembly adjourned.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Updike offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-
man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polachek, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Maertz, Schellenberg and Sether—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Schellenberg and Maertz for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Utt:

Pet. No. 27, A.,

Petition of W. H. Beebe and 149 others, asking for passage of bill No. 255, A., relating to county courts.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 28, A.,

Petition of D. T. H. MacKinnon and 41 others, of Winnebago county, asking the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 29, A.,

Petition favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 30, A.,

Petition of 57 citizens of Fall River, Wis., against the repeal of Sunday laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Peterson:

Pet. No. 31, A.,

Petition from W. O. Lamoreux and 78 others, petitioning for the passage of the proposed bicycle and railway baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 32, A.,

Petition from Dr. F. R. Reynolds on the question, "Should quackery flourish under the protection of law?"

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 33, A.,

To prohibit the shooting of game in the spring

To committee on Fish and Game.

MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Memorial to Congress, No. 3, A.,

Requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to the state and placed in the rooms of the state historical so-

ciety, in order that the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk may be placed in the old hall of the house of representatives.

Was referred to committee on Federal Relations.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Merriman:

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Relating to fire and life insurance companies doing business in this state.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate be appointed, to investigate the facts with reference to whether or not the fire and life insurance companies doing business within this state are paying their just and proper proportion of taxes, and to report thereon to the legislature by bill or otherwise.

Was laid over.

By Mr. Merrill:

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

WHEREAS, Under the present system of biennial elections and biennial sessions of the legislature it is not possible to apportion the state into senate and assembly districts, based upon both the United States and state census, so as to cover two equal election periods; and,

WHEREAS, The state has reached a period in its development when the general future growth will be so moderate that it will not be greatly desirable to know the exact population every fifth year, and when the sectional growth will be so rare that it will no longer be necessary to enumerate so often in order to give the different portions of the state a reasonably fair and equitable representation; and,

WHEREAS, The state census entails too great an expense upon the people to be maintained without some great necessity; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 3 of article IV of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. At their regular session after each enumeration made by the authority of the United States the legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate and assembly according to the number of inhabitants as ascertained by such census, exclusive of Indians not taxed and soldiers and officers of the United States army and navy.

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McGrath:

Jt. Res. No. 13, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That all joint resolutions introduced in this legislature, except resolutions pertaining solely to routine matters, be printed and a copy thereof placed on the files of each member before such resolution is put upon its passage,

Was laid over.

By Mr. Ray:

Res. No. 19, A.,

That the use of the assembly chamber be granted for an address to be delivered by T. C. Richmond of this city, on Thursday evening, February 11. Subject, "Cuba and the United States."

Was adopted.

By Mr. McDonald:

Res. No. 20, A.,

That the privilege and use of the assembly chamber be tendered to L. G. Fouse, president of the Fidelity Mutual Life association of Philadelphia, for Tuesday afternoon, February 16, at 2 o'clock, for the delivery of an address on flexible insurance,

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Wolff: (By request.)

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Wolff:

No. 291, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Clason: (By request.)

No. 292, A.

A bill to regulate the publication of the proceedings of the city councils in cities in which population does not exceed 5,000.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 293, A.,

A bill to appropriate to J. M. Thompson and Lovell & Co., of Waupun, Wis., to each a certain sum of money.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 294, A.,

A bill for the protection of the public health, and to prevent the adulteration in the manufacture and sale of beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Sweeting:

No. 295, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments in cities and villages operating under the general charter law of this state, or under a special charter.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Fogo:

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United State now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction.

To committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

No. 297, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 3, of chapter 181, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to revise, codify and amend chapter 57, of the laws of 1874," entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Columbus, and the several acts amendatory thereof." "

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Church:

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Church:

No. 299, A.,

A bill to place all organizations which drill with fire arms under the control and subject to the authority of the state.

To committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

No. 300, A.,

A bill to amend section 2600 of the revised statutes, entitled, "But one form of action."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

No. 301, A.,

A bill to limit the time for the commencement of actions or proceedings for the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate, and provide for the extinguishment of mortgage liens in case no such actions or proceedings are commenced within the time so limited.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McDonald:

No. 303, A.,

A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to exemption from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Sieker: (By request.)

No. 304, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 236, of the session laws of 1895, relating to the election of constables in cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 305, A.,

A bill to repeal section 4398 of the revised statutes of this state, relating to the use of abusive language.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Welch:

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to actions to recover damages on account of death or personal injuries.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgments of written instruments.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 310, A.,

A bill to provide for the semi-annual payment of taxes, and to amend various sections of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Harvey: (By request.)

No. 311, A.,

A bill fixing the number of assessors in cities of less than 10,000 inhabitants.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Hurd: (By request.)

No. 314, A.,

A bill to prescribe qualifications for judges of courts of record.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Goodell:

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Marsh:

No. 317, A.,

A bill relating to guardians and wards.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Goodell:

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 319, A.,

A bill relating to notice by publication in cases affecting real estate, and amendatory of section 4045 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 395, laws of 1887.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Merrill:

No. 320, A.,

A bill to amend section 1323 of chapter 52 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 214 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for better protection of bridges."

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize Joseph Mardin, Jr., his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan in Door county.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Froehlich:

No. 322, A.,

A bill to direct the board of trustees of certain villages to turn over one-half of the moneys received from licenses to the use of public schools.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 323, A.,

A bill to detach the county of Polk from the eleventh judicial circuit and attach it to the eighth judicial circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 324, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Cyrus Schenk a sum of money for injuries received in the capitol disaster in 1883.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justice's courts and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 326, A.,

A bill to regulate the rate of rental to be charged by telephone companies in cities of the second and third classes.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. White:

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. White:

No. 328, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1197 to 1210, inclusive, relating to proceedings to bar original owners where tax deeds have issued.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. White:

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend section 2918 of revised statutes, relating to costs in equitable actions and special proceedings.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. White:

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 333, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 334, A.,

A bill to amend section 796 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to annual town meetings.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 337, A.,

A bill to amend section 1698 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin of 1878, relating to voluntary assignments.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Niss, Jr.:

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Niss, Jr.:

No. 339, A.,

A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization powers and duties of the state board of fisheries and game reserve commissioners and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Niss: (By request.)

No. 340, A.,

A bill to prohibit the killing of rabbits or hares in certain seasons.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Niss: (By request.)

No. 341, A.,

A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits or hares with ferrets.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Thompson:

No. 342, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of marshal in villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thompson:

No. 343, A.,

A bill concerning repairs of sidewalks, gutters, ditches, etc., in villages.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 344, A.,

A bill to amend section 905 of the revised statutes, relating to streets, sidewalks and gutters of villages, and providing for appeals.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Merriman:

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 346, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 374, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to street railways.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Woller:

No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, of laws of 1895, relating to condemnation of toll roads.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Lange: (By request.)

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 351, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a court commissioner or justice of the peace in municipal and superior courts, having the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace in case of absence, sickness or disability of the judge.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Legried: (By request.)

No. 352, A.,

A bill compelling railroad corporations to furnish free transportation to shippers of live stock.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Peterson:

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Pratt:

No. 354, A.,

A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 355, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Cashin:

No. 356, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 357 of the laws of 1891, relating to additional jurisdiction on the county court of Portage county.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 357, A.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Parker:

No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 360, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Oshkosh fair association in Winnebago county, a sum of money therein named.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Risum:

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters balls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled:

No. 4, A.,

A bill to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has

Under Jt. Res., No. 11, S.,

For the appointment of a joint committee to investigate and report on the condition of the executive mansion,

Appointed on part of the senate,

Senators Dennett and Stout, and

Under Jt. Res. No. 4, A.,

To provide for the appointment of a committee of three from the assembly, and two from the senate to investigate and report why electric lights have not been placed in the capitol and capitol park,

Senators Peirce and Roehr.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

Bill No. 55, A.,

In relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,

Was re-referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment reducing appropriation from \$18,000 to \$15,000,

Reported by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal court and police court of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years.

Mr. Welch moved that the bill be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The motion was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorney.

Mr. Minch moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on Town and County Organization.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 94, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 1 of section 2646 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to pleadings in courts of record, Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturers' bank of New Richmond Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Hall moved that after the session tomorrow morning, The assembly take a recess until 8 o'clock p. m. of that day. The motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rutherford,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Updike offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Merriman, Sether and Sieker—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Sieker and Merriman, for this session.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 34, A.,

Petition of John Anderson and 200 others of Bayfield, Washburn and Sawyer counties, for the passage of bill to create sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 35, A.,

Petition of Hon. Thad. C. Pound and 24 others, asking for the passage of the sub-state fair bill for northern Wisconsin.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 36, A.,

Petition of Hon. L. M. Newman and 133 others asking for the passage of the sub-state fair bill for northern Wisconsin.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 37, A.,

Petition of C. L. Turney and 79 others, asking for the passage of the bill to establish a sub-state fair in northern Wisconsin.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 38, A.,

Petition of Hon. L. C. Stanley and 79 others, asking for the passage of the sub-state fair bill for northern Wisconsin.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Connors:

Pet. No. 39, A.,

Petition of L. B. Hill and 40 others of Ashland county, for passage of bill to create sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 40, A.,

Petition of D. C. Neff and others of Clark county, favoring passage of sub-state fair bill for Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 41, A.,

Petition of M. C. Tubbs and 185 others, for the passage of bill to create sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 42, A.,

A petition favoring a sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 43, A.,

Petition of Ed. Pert and 87 others of Burnett county, for the passage of a bill to create a sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 44, A.,

A petition of Frank A. Brandt and 25 others of Polk county, for the passage of a bill to create a sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 45, A.,

A petition of H. A. Ellis and others, asking for the passage of bill No. 126, A., relating to the sub-state fair.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 46, A.,

Petition of 75 citizens of Dunn county, asking for the establishing and maintaining of a sub-state fair at Chippewa Falls.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Polley:

Pet. No. 47, A.,

Petition for the passage of a bill to create sub-state fair.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Niss, Jr.:

Pet. No. 48, A.,

A petition from the mayor and common council of the city of Milwaukee, praying for the passage of various bills of special interest to the city of Milwaukee.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 49, A.,

Petition urging the passage of the anti-cigarette law.

To committee on Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 50, A.,

Petition of R. L. Adams, J. E. Russell, F. A. Case, J. F. Ford and 75 others; against the repeal of the Sunday law.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 51, A.,

Petition signed by Hollis Crocker and 36 others, against the repeal of the Sunday law.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 52, A.,

Petition of citizens of the city of Port Washington asking for the passage of the baggage and bicycle bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 53, A.,

Petition of Carl Strange and others of Neillsville, Clark county, favoring passage of bill 86, S., bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 54, A.,

Petition of C. A. Miller and 43 others, for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 55, A.,

Petition of residents of Fond du Lac, protesting against the passage of bill No. 93, A., engines on highways.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 56, A.,

Petition remonstrating against the repeal of the so-called Sunday closing laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 57, A.,

Petition of Robt. C. Giljohan and 25 others, asking for the passage of bill No. 166, A., relating to liens.

To committee of Judiciary.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 58, A.,

Petition of retail merchants of Ripon for repeal of exemption laws, No. 166, A.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 59, A.,

Petition for the passage of bill No. 223, A., amending pharmacy act of 1895.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 60, A.,

Petition from town board of Wauwatosa, Wis., requesting the passage of bill No. 48, A., for the repeal of the law exempting private insane asylums from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 61, A.,

Petition of S. H. Rogers and 38 other citizens of Superior, asking for the passage of the bill relating to the appointment or election of women on school boards.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 62, A.,

Petition of Alex. Lewis post No. 36, department of Wisconsin, requesting an appropriation to place statues of the late Generals Fairchild and Rusk in state hall at Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS.

By Mr. Latta:

Mem. No. 4, A.,

For the passage of H. R. bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks in the United States railway mail service.

Was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Welch:

Jt. Res. No. 14, A.,

WHEREAS, There exists a feeling of dissatisfaction with the present system of transferring title to land, and it is believed the vexatious delays and large expense attending such transfers may be avoided by the substitution of registration of titles in place of deeds, and that the adoption of the Torrens system of registration of titles, as practiced in Australia, British Columbia, Ontario and other places, may be practicable in this state; and,

WHEREAS, It is desirable that the subject be strongly investigated, and the result of such investigation presented to the public, preparatory to action by the legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the governor appoint five competent persons who shall act without compensation, whose duty it shall be to make investigation of our present system of transferring land titles, and to consider whether a more simple, expeditious and inexpensive system, and one that will give greater security of title cannot be adopted, and especially to inquire into the practical working of what is known as the Australian or Torrens system of registration of land titles, and whether it can be adapted to the constitution and laws of this state.

Said commission shall have power to send for persons and papers and take such testimony as they may deem proper. The said commission shall report to the governor on or before the first day of January, 1898, and the governor shall cause 3,000 copies of such report to be printed and distributed in such manner as he deems proper. The governor shall also lay such report before the next general assembly.

This state shall not assume or become responsible in any manner, in whole or in part, for the expenses incurred by such commission.

To committee on Judiciary.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Krauss: (By request.)

No. 362, A.,

A bill to compel street railway companies to operate their cars by means of conductors of electricity laid in underground conduits or by a storage battery system.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Krauss: (By request.)

No. 363, A.,

A bill to simplify the civil service systems in cities and define the duties of boards of city service commissioners.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Krauss: (By request.)

No. 364, A.,

A bill to regulate the publication of proceedings of county and village boards and common councils.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Krauss:

No. 365, A.,

A bill providing for the taxation of telephone, telegraph, palace car, sleeping car, drawing room car, dining car, express and fast freight, joint stock associations, companies, co-partnerships and corporations transacting business in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wolff:

No. 366, A.,

A bill to prevent deception and fraud in the sale of grass and garden seed.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 367, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 226 of the laws of 1889, relating to the collection of statistics of farm products.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experimental station, and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 369 A.,

A bill to vacate cemeteries in the city of Waupun, Dodge county, Wis.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Webster: (By request.)

No. 370, A.,

A bill to repeal certain acts relating to and regulating the practice of pharmacy, relating to and regulating the practice of dentistry, and relating to and regulating the practice of law.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 371, A.,

A bill to amend sections 731, 4913 and 604 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of sheriffs.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 372, A.,

A bill to regulate the place and manner of crossing of railways, being public carriers of passengers,
To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings."
To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hughes: (By request.)

No. 374, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Zacharias Simonson and Charles S. Simonson the sum of one hundred and forty dollars (\$140), for money erroneously paid to the state for swamp and overflowed lands.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. True:

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. True:

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. True: (By request.)

No. 377, A.,

A bill to provide for enlarging and equipment of the state historical library building and extending the tax levy therefor.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. True:

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend sections 3838 and 3839 of chapter CLXV entitled, "Of the proof and payment of debts and legacies."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 381, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 19, laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of vessel property.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 382, A.,

A bill to amend section 3757 of the revised statutes, relating to garnishments.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wylie: (By request.)

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of 1885, entitled, "An act relating to attorneys and admission to the bar, and amendatory of section 2586 of the revised statutes."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wylie:

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 181 of the laws of 1883, relating to the city of Columbus.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Edwards: (By request.)

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to sidewalks.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Edwards: (By request.)

No. 386, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for 1895 relating to deeds.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 391, A.,

A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 392, A.,

A bill to amend section 1779, revised statutes of state of Wisconsin, relating to powers and regulations of Driving Park association.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

No. 393, A.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315 of laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 395, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the first class to fix the salary of the city engineer.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

No. 396, A.,

A bill relating to the obstruction of creeks, rivulets and small streams by overgrowth or by neglect of owner of land adjoining such streams, by the fall of timber or accumulation of deposit from other sources.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 398, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of funds paid to treasurers of cities of the first class for the redemption of outstanding tax certificates.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 400, A.,

A bill to amend section 183 of the laws of 1879, now section 4575b, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "An act to further protect life and limb."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Welch: (By request.)

No. 401, A.,

A bill to provide for cumulative voting for directors of a corporation.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Welch:

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Welch:

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Welch:

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 405, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 300 of the general laws of 1895, and to provide for the distribution of copies of bills to county clerks and the filing and preservation of same.

To committee on Printing.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 407, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control of the Wisconsin charitable and penal institutions to contract for the use of medicines and the treatment for the cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors and drugs.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Parker:

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than 3,000 population, incorporated by special act or general laws, to change their names.

To committee on State Affairs

By Mr. McGrath:

No. 409, A.,

A bill to amend section 694A, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to sheriffs.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McGrath: (By request.)

No. 410, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory therein described from the counties of Clark and Marathon, and to attach the same to the county of Wood.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. McGrath: (By request.)

No. 411, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Wood and to create the county of Rivers.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bechtel:

No. 412, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 383, of the laws of 1889, and the acts of which it is amendatory, relating to the Dane county drainage commission.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney-general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Flagg:

No. 416, A.,

A bill to prevent combinations between fire insurance companies, and providing penalties therefor.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flagg:

No. 417, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by insurance companies.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 418, A.,

A bill to prohibit certain persons from acting as assessors.
To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 419, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to the relief and support of the poor,
To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Hurd: (By request.)

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to patent medicine.
To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hurd:

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 422, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for Wood county.
To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor.' "

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 424, A.,

A bill authorizing the railroad commissioner to compile the railroad laws of the state of Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money therefor.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 425, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Staples:

No. 426, A.,

A bill regulating who shall be eligible to the election or appointment to the office of county judge.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Staples:

No. 427, A.,

A bill relating to the assessments of personal property, and amendatory of section 1040 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Staples: (By request.)

No. 428, A.,

A bill to regulate the election of town supervisors in counties having a population of less than one hundred thousand.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

Br Mr. Staples:

No. 429, A.,

A bill to authorize the governor and state board of control to parole life prisoners and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,'" and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Klabunde:

No. 431, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service in cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Jensen:

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Polacheck:

No. 433, A.,

A bill limiting taxation in cities of the first class.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Albert Woller:

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquor.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Woller: (By request.)

No. 435, A.,

A bill regulating the employment of labor.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Woller: (By request.)

No. 436, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 179 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1880, entitled, "An act to confer certain police powers upon agents of the Wisconsin humane society."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court in the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

No. 438, A.,

A bill to amend section 2356 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to divorce from the bond of matrimony.

To committee on Judiciary,

By Mr. D. K. Smith: (By request.)

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 441, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Lewis: (By request.)

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Reynolds:

No. 444, A.,

A bill for the relief of R. S. Houston and appropriating a sum of money therefor.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Reynolds:

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 446, A.,

A bill to amend section 1087 of the annotated statutes relating to the re-assessment of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7 of chapter 194, laws of 1879.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Harvey:

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Harvey: (By request.)

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 3534 of the revised statutes, relating to foreclosures of mortgages by advertisement.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board and amendatory of section 932 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries and amendatory of section 934 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 452, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 458, laws of 1889, relating to school of science of the university of Wisconsin.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 453, A.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of county boards of examiners, and provide for their compensation.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Tucker:

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Treat:

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877 and chapter 238, laws of 1883.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Treat:

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 458, A.,

A bill to create and establish a municipal court in and for Eau Claire county, Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 459, A.,

A bill to suppress unlawful combinations, and to prevent exactions of exorbitant rates of insurance.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 460, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 322 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 27, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893. entitled, 'An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes.'"

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 461, A.,

A bill to amend section 1133 of the revised statutes, relating to the compensation for publishing the list and notice of sale of lands for taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 463, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052 of the revised statutes, relative to the valuation of property for the purposes of assessment.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 464, A.,

A bill relating to the alterations of school districts and amendatory of section 412 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 355 of the laws for 1885.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 465, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 277, of the laws of 1895, relating to the time of holding the terms of court in the several counties in the 17th judicial circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 466, A.,

A bill to amend section 3329, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 72, of the laws of 1895, relative to liens upon logs and timber.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 468, A.,

A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 469, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 470, A.,

A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, pictures, etc., and for the issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 471, A.,

A bill to amend section 142 of sub-chapter 16, of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 472, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221, laws of 1895.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Reinnoldt: (By request.)

No. 473, A.,

A bill to prevent combination and trusts from making arbitrary or "board rates" for fire insurance.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 475, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 261, of the laws of 1895, relating to the assessment of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 476, A.,

A bill to better regulate the sale of intoxicating drinks.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 477, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Rosenkrans: (By request.)

No. 478, A.,

A bill to protect the eyes of infants against blindness.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Rosenkrans: (By request.)

No. 479, A.,

A bill to amend section 2577 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin in relation to legal holidays.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Dresser:

No. 480, A.,

A bill to provide for the acquisition by the state of Wisconsin of the title to certain lands therein described, to appropriate the same to public use as an inter-state park, and to make an appropriation to pay the owners thereof such compensation as may be awarded them under the provisions of chapter 315 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, or of this act.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Buttles:

No. 481, A.,

A bill providing for the filing and recording of notice of lis pendens, writs of attachment, certificates of sale, mechanics' liens and releases and satisfactions of said instruments, and to amend sections 3187, 2737, 2743, 2748, 3000, and 3318, 3327, and chapter 374, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 295, laws of 1893, and to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1893, and sections 761 and 3319.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogo:

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines in the town of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Fogo:

No. 483, A.,

A bill to prevent the hiring or licensing of incompetent persons as principals of graded schools.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Sweeting:

No. 484, A.,

A bill to amend section 119 of the revised statutes, relating to the contents of the blue book.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Froehlich: (By request.)

No. 485, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Hixon in Clark county, and create the town of Dewhurst.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 486, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 292 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the exemption from taxation for a term of years of real estate owned by the Milwaukee medical college.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 487, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Borchsenius: (By request.)

No. 488, A.,

A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Risum:

No. 489, A.,

A bill to provide for and limit the length of sessions of county boards in counties having 30,000 population or less.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Risum:

No. 490, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust representation on county boards.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Risum: (By request.)

No. 491, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052, revised statutes of 1878, relating to assessment of notes and mortgages.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Risum: (By request.)

No. 492, A.,

A bill to amend section 204, chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to the building of sidewalks in cities.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Yorkey:

No. 493, A.,

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities having a population of 100,000 or more.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Davidson: (By request.)

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 7, in township 7 north, of range 4 west.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Pierce:

No. 495, A.,

A bill relating to filing complaints in actions affecting the title to real property, and amendatory of section 3187 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 426 of the general laws of 1895.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

No. 496, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud in the purchase and sale of cheese.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

No. 497, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Calumet to issue bonds for the purpose of securing aid for the building of a beet sugar factory and refinery.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Stanley:

No. 498, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to Christ. Anderson, Gustag Freitag, John F. Ball and 21 others, laborers employed upon the state home for feeble-minded.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Treat:

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 500, A.,

A bill to amend section 4075 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 501, A.,

A bill to continue an appropriation to the state university.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Agen: (By request.)

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen: (By request.)

No. 503, A.,

A bill to amend section 2666 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, providing for verification of pleadings, how and by whom made.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name.

To committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 357, A.,

Was ordered to be returned from the committee on Judiciary, and recommitted to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 105, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 404 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act to cure defects in certain conveyances of real property," and to amend section 1 of chapter 26, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend section 1 of chapter 288, of the laws of 1891, relating to defects in recorded instruments,"

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Assemblymen Bullard and Latta dissenting from such recommendation as to No. 83, A.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 11, S.,

A bill authorizing the German American Bank of Oshkosh, to reduce its capital,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 78, A.,

A bill making a contract to insure property void unless some note or memorandum thereof is made in writing, signed by such corporation or its agent, amending section 2307, chapter 105 of the revised statutes,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed.

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named;" approved April 9th, 1885,

No. 22, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2527, 2535, and to repeal section 2536 of the revised statutes relating to the drawing of jurors,

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal court and police court of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years,

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys.

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturers' bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state,

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 104, A.,

A bill granting to Oliver G. Howard the right to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin, from Stockholm, Wis., to Lake City, Minn., and repealing chapter 468 of the laws 1891,

No. 148, A.,

A bill granting ferry privileges to P. N. Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the bills be referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

J. O. DAVIDSON,

Chairman.

So referred.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 1 A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum," approved March 24, 1852,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment as follows:

Amend section 7 so as to read as follows: All personal property of every name at any time owned by this corporation and all real estate used and occupied for the purposes for which it is formed shall not be subject to assessment or taxation and shall be exempt therefrom,

And recommend that when so amended it do pass.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

For the appointment of a special joint committee to examine and report upon the statement of the administration of the Wisconsin university, forthcoming under Jt. Res. No. 9, S.

Mr. Rutherford moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

Was then adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Relating to fire and life insurance companies doing business in this state, and

Jt. Res. No. 13, A.,

Relating to the printing and placing on file of all joint resolutions except those pertaining solely to routine matters.

Were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fogo,

The assembly took a recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8:00 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Stone:

Jt. Res. No. 15, A.,
Amending sections 3, 4 and 5, of article 3 of the constitution,
relating to the appointment of senate and assembly districts.
To committee on State Affairs.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Clason: (By request.)

No. 505, A.,
A bill relating to the manufacture of beer.
To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Webster: (By request.)

No. 506, A.,
A bill to prevent the granting of any license for the sale of
intoxicating liquors within a half mile of the state university,
normal schools or high schools.
To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 507, A.,
A bill to prevent discrimination in charges for transportation
of freight by railroad companies.
To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wylie: (By request.)

No. 508, A.,
A bill to separate certain villages from towns.
To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Wolter:

No. 509, A.,
A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on
mortgaged real estate.
To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Morgan:

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day."

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Olson:

No. 511, A.,

A bill authorizing the attorney general to cancel and satisfy the mortgages held by the state upon the lands owned by the Wisconsin state agricultural society.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Dresser: (By request.)

No. 512, A.,

A bill to amend section 655 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the removal of county seats.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176, chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government, as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for 1893.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Flett: (By request.)

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Flett: (By request.)

No. 516, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 166 of the laws of 1889, of change of venue in civil actions.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Clark: (By request.)

No. 517, A.,

A bill to create the county of Rusk and to change the boundaries of the counties of Price and Chippewa.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 518, A.,

A bill to enable the town of Pelican, in the county of Oneida, to own and maintain a town hall within the limits of the city of Rhinelander, and to exempt the same from taxation.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Clark: (By request.)

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 520, A.,

A bill to vacate the state park and provide for the sale of the lands therein and other lands.

To committee on Public Lands.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 54, laws of 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 522, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the county of Oneida.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Clark:

No. 523, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railway and to amend section 1803 of the annotated statutes.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Anson:

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30, of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes."

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Utt;

No. 525, A.,

A bill to vacate a state road in Grant county.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 526, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1643, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, of the general laws of the state of Wisconsin, and amendments thereto, relating to state aid for agricultural societies.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Agen: (By request)

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 528, A.,

A bill to amend section 1777 of the revised statutes, "relating to additional powers of peculiar corporations."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 529, A.,

A bill to amend section 1771 of chapter 86 of 1878, entitled, "Of the organization of corporations."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 530, A.,

A bill to amend section 1862 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, authorizing street railway corporations to condemn land.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws 1895, relating to Nashotah house.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Agen: (By request.)

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 534, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, regarding high schools.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Rosenkrans: (By request.)

No. 535, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the extension of earnings.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc."

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hurd:

No. 537, A.,

A bill to regulate and control the sale of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Pratt:

No. 538, A.,

A bill to pay a sum of money named therein to C. W. Anderson and L. L. Maliquise, of Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., by reason of the unlawful destruction of their fishing nets by the state game warden and his deputies.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Pratt:

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for the purpose.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 540, A.,

A bill for the inspection of naphtha, benzine and gasoline, and to regulate the sale thereof.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Bullard: (By request.)

No. 541, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Pelican in Oneida county, and to create the town of Pennington.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes."

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 543, A.,

A bill authorizing cities of a certain class to grant water-works franchises to any persons, company or corporation, and providing for the rental to be paid by such cities for the use of water from such water works for protection against fire.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 544, A.

A bill providing that the state shall repay to any county all money paid by it in excess of \$5,000 in the prosecution of any one criminal case.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Minch: (By request.)

No. 545, A.,

A bill relating to the sale of the products of the university farm and dairy school.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 546, A.,

A bill relating to the election of assessor in cities of the third and fourth classes.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 547, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 414, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend section 1751, revised statutes of 1878, relating to corporations."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Barnum:

No. 548, A.,

A bill to prohibit and suppress pool selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

No. 549, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 550, A.,

A bill to provide for the improvement of public highways and appropriating a sum of money therefor.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Legried:

No. 551, A.,

A bill to protect vineyards, orchards and gardens against vandalism.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Legried:

No. 552, A.,

A bill to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of attorneys who defend indigent prisoners.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Legried:

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Legried: (By request.)

No. 554, A.,

A bill to authorize Rosanna Scobie, G. E. Madson and A. C. Amundson to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a creek on section 7 in township 6 north, of range 13 east, in Jefferson county.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. Legried: (By request.)

No. 555, A.,

A bill to repeal section 331, revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended, relating to the publication of laws in newspapers.

To committee on Printing.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 556, A.,

A bill relating to the re-assessment of special taxes in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 50 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 557, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for Langlade county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 559, A.,

A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statute of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities and commendatory of section 946, as amended by section 1, chapter 336, laws of 1895.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 564, A.,

A bill relating to the method of platting lands, and recording the same, and amendatory of section 2261a of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and section 1 of chapter 460, laws of 1889.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 565, A.,

A bill relating to highways in certain counties and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Latta:

No. 567, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county clerk of Langlade county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 568, A.,

A bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes

By Mr. Goodell:

No. 569, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to E. R. Cushman for damages sustained by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221, laws of 1895.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 571, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the counties of Chippewa and Sawyer, and to create the county of Rusk.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Ackermann: (By request.)

No. 572, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 276 of the laws of 1891, relating to the boundary of the city of Sheboygan.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Hindes: (By request.)

No. 573, A.,

A bill compelling railroad corporations to sell two thousand mile tickets and providing compensation therefor.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Krauss:

No. 574, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Marsh:

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Pratt:

No. 576, A.,

A bill to change the boundary line between Pierce and St. Croix counties in the state of Wisconsin so as to bring the first ward of the city of River Falls into Pierce county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. True: (By request.)

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires."

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

By Mr. True: (By request.)

No. 578, A.,

A bill to fix the maximum rate to be charged by persons, companies or corporations engaged in the express business for the transportation of articles by express in this state.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Stone: (By request.)

No. 579, A.,

A bill authorizing cities and villages to levy a tax for certain current expenses.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lewis: (By request.)

No. 580, A.,

A bill to require primary elections for the purpose of nominating candidates for office, and to prescribe the method thereof and the means therefor.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 581, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, relating to publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings, in cities of the second and third classes, whether incorporated under a general or under a special charter.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 583, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1339, 1339a, 1339b, 1339c and 1340, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of this state, relating to highways and bridges, and damages sustained thereon.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Mosher:

No. 585, A.,

A bill to regulate the compensation of county officers and establish salaried officers in the several counties throughout the state.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Mosher: (By request.)

No. 586, A.,

A bill regulating crossing of the tracks of steam railroads by the tracks of street or highway railways.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 587, A.,

A bill to amend section 4701, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to practice in criminal cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Parker:

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Edwards: (By request.)

No. 589, A.,

A bill to abolish the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Peterson:

No. 590, A.,

A bill to permanently locate the seat of government of this state.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Peterson:

No. 591, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of the public lands of the state of Wisconsin to loan a sum of money not to exceed one million dollars, to the county of Milwaukee and city of Milwaukee, or either of them.

To committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds towards the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 593, A.,

A bill relating to the regulating of trade and commerce in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 594, A.,

A bill for the protection of the public health by providing for the inspection of cattle, sheep and swine slaughtered, or to be slaughtered for human food.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 595, A.,

A bill to provide for the election of town officers, in counties having a population of 200,000 or over.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 596, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846, etc."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington: (By request.)

No. 598, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$20,420 to Dr. Montgomery for care, board and treatment of persons pursuant to orders of county courts of various counties, under chapter 203, laws of 1895.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington: (By request.)

No. 599, A.,

A bill providing for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain amounts due persons for care and treatment of persons under chapter 203, laws 1895, and payment of same, and appropriating a sum of money therefor.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 600, A.,

A bill to legalize and enforce certain claims against Eau Claire and other counties in favor of Dr. Montgomery.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington:

No. 601, A.,

A bill to detach Chippewa county from the 11th judicial circuit, attach it to the 17th judicial circuit and to detach Clark county from the 17th judicial circuit, attach it to the 16th judicial circuit.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Risum:

No. 602, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 300, laws of 1895, relating to legislative expenditures.

To committee on Legislative Expenditures.

By Mr. Stanley: (By request.)

No. 603, A.,

A bill repealing chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to official papers and publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings in cities of the second and third class, whether incorporated under the general or under a special charter, and repealing section 46 of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, in so far as that section relates to or affects any city having over 10,000 inhabitants," and reviving and re-enacting said section 46.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Polley:

No. 604, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged property.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lewis: (By request.)

No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 606, A.,

A bill to minimize the competition of convict labor with free labor, and to provide for the employment of convict labor in the manufacture of school furniture and the furniture and equipment of public institutions, and of free text-books for the public schools, and also providing for the employment of habitual criminals in the improvement of the highways.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Lewis:

No. 607, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to procure of the several transportation or railroad companies operating in the state of Wisconsin free transportation for state officials, members of the legislature and others, and requiring such transportation or railroad companies to furnish such free transportation.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Harvey: (By request.)

No. 608, A.,

A bill relating to physical education as a regular branch of instruction in the public schools of the state and educational institutions receiving aid from the state.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 609, A.

A bill relating to the release of options and the discharge of the same.

To the committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Eaton: (By request.)

No. 610, A.,

A bill to detach certain lands from the village of South Milwaukee and attach the same to the town of Oak Creek in Milwaukee county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Bechtel: (By request.)

No. 612, A.,

A bill for printing notices, council proceedings, ordinances and other matter of cities of the second and third classes.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Rutherford:

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 614, A.,

A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1835 of the revised statutes.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Flett:

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Gawin:

No. 616, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052, chapter 48 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "How property to be valued," by adding thereto.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Gawin:

No. 617, A.,

A bill to amend section 1688, chapter 79 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "Rates of interest," by adding thereto.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Davidson: (By request.)

No. 618, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1448, 1449, 1447a, and 1452 of chapter 59 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to cemeteries.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Davidson:

No. 619, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel: (By request.)

No. 620, A.,

A bill relating to actions against officers created by and acting under an invalid law.

To committee on Judiciary:

By Mr. J. J. Smith: (By request.)

No. 621, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of unclaimed property.
To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 622, A.,

A bill to revise and codify the laws in relation to savings banks and savings societies.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking.

[To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wipperman: (By request.)

No. 624, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982 of the revised statutes relating to exemptions and earnings.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Wheeler: (By request.)

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 626, A.,

A bill regulating the issuance of license to insurance companies.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1897.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Updike offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawir, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Hindes, Merriman, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sieker, Thomas and White—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Hindes, White, D. F. Jones, Sieker and Thomas for this session,

To Mr. Rosenkrans for this week.

The journal of Wednesday was approved

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Messrs. Woller, Risum, Buffington, Stanley, Flagg, Ray, Latta, Legried, Wylie, Froehlich and others:

Pet. No. 64, A.,

A petition from various publishers and editors of newspapers of this state praying for the passage of bill No. 223, A., relating to pharmacy.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 65, A.,

Remonstrance of M. A. Breeden, T. T. Hyers, Seth Butler and twenty five others, against repeal of Sunday observance law.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Jenson:

Pet. No. 66, A.,

Petition containing 132 signatures of voters residing in the city of New London, Waupaca county, asking the legislature of the state of Wisconsin to pass the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 67, A.,

Petition against the repeal of the Sunday laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 68, A.,

Petition of common council of city of Fond du Lac, favoring passage of bill No. 93, A.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 69, A.,

Petition for the abolition of municipal court of city and town of Ripon.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 70, A.,

Petition of J. W. Losey and twenty-seven others, favoring the passage of a bill to establish a municipal court for La Crosse county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 71, A.,

Petition of residents of Fond du Lac county, requesting passage of bill No. 350, A.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 72, A.,

Petition from citizens of St. Croix county, in regard to persons fishing in the Willow river.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Krauss:

Pet. No. 73, A.,

Petition of eight teachers of the Williamsburg school of the town of Milwaukee against the repeal of the one dollar fee for teachers' certificates.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 74, A.,

Petition of Fond du Lac sportsmen, for the passage of a fish and game law.

To committee on Fish and Game.

Additional copies of bills were ordered printed as follows:

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,

Two hundred each of 178 and 289, A.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

Two hundred each of 410 and 411, A.

On motion of Mr. Borchsenius,

Two hundred each of 489 and 490, A.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes relating to liens of mechanics and others,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 88, A.,

A bill relating to trials by jury,

No. 107, A.,

A bill granting ferry privileges to Oliver Tuttle, of the village of Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 34, S.,

A bill to appropriate money for purchase of stationery for the use of the state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 40, S.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay for the copies of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes for this legislature.

With amendment, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 97, A.,

A bill to prevent the establishment of a saloon and the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of grounds or parks owned or leased by old settlers' societies or associations and occupied by such society for meetings, celebrations, picnics and pleasureable gatherings,

No. 151, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, by chapter 296 of the laws of 1885, and by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 134, A.,

A bill to amend section 1259 of the annotated statutes relating to the returning of highway taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Schellenberg dissenting on bill 151, A.

Mr. Edwards dissenting on bills 97 and 134, A.

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

With the recommendation that the bill be sent to committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

N. B. TREAT,

Chairman.

No. 280, A., was so referred.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

W. A. JONES,

Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation it do pass.

No. 137, A.,

A bill to amend sections 662 and 663 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county board of supervisors,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation it be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 147, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2 and 3, chapter 243, laws 1895, entitled, "An act to codify and amend the laws relating to countersigning diplomas and life certificates,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK T. TUCKER.

Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommending the same be referred to committee on Education.

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

So referred.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, February 11, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

A more thorough investigation into the financial condition of the state than had been practicable at the date of my biennial message, makes it my duty to supplement the statements contained therein upon the subject, by this special communication.

This is a subject which ought to be clearly within the comprehension of every intelligent citizen. There is no reason why the financial condition of the state may not be as clearly and definitely ascertained at any time as may the status or condition of the business of a private corporation, or a private individual; and beside, exact knowledge by the legislature of the condition of the treasury is indispensable to a wise and economical exercise of the power of making appropriations.

The legislature has provided for the levy of specific taxes each year for the support of the public schools, the normal schools and the university; but the general expenses of the state government are paid from what is known in the reports as the "general fund." This fund consists of the money received from railroad license fees, fees collected from insurance companies,

from street railway companies and of other payments into the state treasury of a similar character. These receipts by the general fund and the disbursements from the same, for the five years ending September 30, 1896, were as follows, by years:

September 30, 1892,

Receipts, \$1,646,724.00.

Disbursements, \$1,413,237.21.

September 30, 1893,

Receipts, \$1,609,314.84.

Disbursements, \$1,786,501.55.

September 30, 1894,

Receipts, \$2,226,164.24.

Disbursements, \$1,711,889.94.

September 30, 1895,

Receipts, \$1,788,809.52.

Disbursements, \$2,729,506.73.

September 30, 1896,

Receipts, \$2,124,567.57.

Disbursements, \$2,111,370.51.

It should be explained that the fiscal year of the state ends on September 30, and on that date, in 1896, there was a balance in the general fund of \$49,815.56. As was shown by a report to me from the state treasurer, made on January 2, there was, on the 31st day of December last, three months after the close of the fiscal year, apparently cash on hand to the amount of \$8,140.09. But there had been advanced to the state treasurer on the 18th day of November, 1896, by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, \$50,000.00; on the 27th day of November, by the same company, \$50,000.00; on the 2d day of December, by the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Company, \$50,000.00; on December 10th, by the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company, \$100,000.00, making a total of \$250,000.00 of moneys not due from these companies until the 10th of February, 1897.

It is obvious that if the railway companies had not been so situated in the present financial depression that they could advance to the state of Wisconsin the sum of \$250,000.00, instead of there being on hand December 31, 1896, \$8,140.09, there would have been an actual deficit of \$241,859.91. Nor is this all. On the first day of January, 1897, it became necessary to meet obligations then due, to overdraw the state's account at one of the banks to the amount of \$102,000.00, upon which overdraft interest was paid, by an arrangement to leave on deposit for a time when practicable a sum belonging to the state, without interest.

It is plain to be seen from this statement that while the general fund was on the 31st day of December apparently solvent, it was, in fact, not only exhausted, but in debt over \$300,000.00. How often this fund has been kept good by bank overdrafts, if at all, or by advances obtained from the railway

license funds, I have not yet ascertained, nor is it now important. This statement is made solely upon the theory that the people are entitled to know at all times the exact condition of their own financial affairs.

It is manifest that the \$250,000.00 advanced by the railway companies, and the \$100,000.00 advanced by the bank to make good deficits for 1896, will be needed for the same purpose at the end of 1897. It has seemed to me that every principle of public policy requires that the finances of the state should be placed now upon a different basis. It is not believed that the people of Wisconsin are willing that they shall owe from year to year the protection of their treasury from insolvency to the accommodating disposition of either the railroads or the banks.

If the railway companies could not or would not advance, and if a condition of panic rendered it impossible to overdraw at the banks, the credit of the state might easily be imperiled. Nothing is clearer than that the framers of the constitution intended that state officials should not be permitted under any circumstances of their own motion to involve the state in any indebtedness. The power of taxation with which the legislature is clothed, was intended to render unnecessary the borrowing of money for the *ordinary* purposes of the state.

Article VIII. of the constitution provides in what cases the legislature may borrow money. Section 7 of this article authorizes the legislature to borrow money "to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or defend the state in time of war." The borrowing power authorized by this section is without limit.

Section 6 of the same article provides that the state may contract public debts "for the purpose of defraying *extraordinary* expenditures," but limits the aggregate to \$100,000.00, and specifically defines the manner in which it is to be done.

That a neglect to levy sufficient tax to maintain the general fund, authorizes state officials to borrow money from the banks, is certainly without foundation in the constitution. If the legislature had passed a law authorizing the state treasurer to borrow \$100,000.00 from a bank, for an indefinite period, without specifying the purposes, etc., it would not be valid, if for the *ordinary* purposes of the state. But, the state treasurer, under the existing state of affairs has repeatedly found himself in the dilemma of having large obligations to meet and no money in the treasury to meet them with, and has therefore been compelled, in order to protect the credit of the state, to resort to these expedients.

The condition of the law as to the levy of taxes for the general fund seems to me unsatisfactory. Section 5 of article VIII of the constitution is as follows: "The legislature *shall provide* for an annual tax, sufficient to defray the estimated expenses of the state for each year; and whenever the expense of any year shall exceed the income, the legislature *shall pro-*

vide for levying a tax for the ensuing year sufficient with other sources of income, to pay the deficiency as well as the estimated expenses of such ensuing year."

The legislature has "provided" by section 1070 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, that the "secretary of state shall annually apportion the state tax levied for the year and all other taxes which he is directed by law to levy as or in the manner of a state tax among the several counties according and in proportion as the relative valuation of each county to the aggregate valuation of the whole state," etc.

It will be seen that the succeeding section, 1071, is the exercise by the legislature of the power granted by the last clause of section 5 of article VIII. of the constitution above cited, and authorizes the secretary of state to levy for any apportionment in excess of a *prior* levy; but this "*prior* levy" the secretary of state is nowhere expressly authorized to make. It has hitherto been made by legislative act, but since 1883 no levy for general fund purposes has been authorized by the legislature, except in the year 1887, and that for a special purpose. Authority should be given under this constitutional provision for the proper state officer to levy the annual state tax for the maintenance of the general fund, including the excess of appropriations. And it is worthy of consideration whether this should not be made a duty rather than permissive. The people are always willing to pay their state debts when due, and to provide by taxation, the funds for that purpose.

It rests with your honorable body to determine whether a recurrence of the deficit referred to shall be prevented by the levy of an adequate tax for that purpose, or the treasury shall be protected in the future, as in the past, by advances from the railroad corporations, and overdrafts permitted by the banks. A levy of a two-fifths mill tax upon the assessed valuation of the state for the years 1897 and 1898, would, I believe, furnish an amount sufficient to restore the general fund to its normal condition.

THE STATE DEPOSITORIES.

In this connection I call your attention to the law providing for state depositories and the deposit of public moneys therein. This law is known as chapter 273 of the laws of 1891. It creates a board of deposits "consisting of the commissioners of public lands and the governor." This board designates the depositories and gives to the state treasurer the power to deposit with any such depository, it having given the requisite bond and complied with the requirements of the law, "any public moneys in his hands or under his official control not exceeding the limit prescribed by section 5 of the act." It provides that "any sums so on deposit shall be deemed to be in the state treasury."

One hundred and fifty eight thousand dollars of the funds of

the state are now, under the provisions of this act, on deposit with various banks throughout the state. Of this money, \$43 575.05 are deposited in banks which have failed. I am advised notwithstanding the preference given by the law to the state, the amount which the state will recover from these banks is uncertain.

It is not the theory of the law that these deposits shall constitute loans for any given time. The money is on call, and the purpose of the act is to enable the state, while there is no public need of money, to obtain a low rate of interest upon it. It needs no argument to show that the money of the state should not be loaned, except under circumstances which shall certainly secure its prompt return when needed. It is declared in the law itself that money in these depositories shall be deemed "in the state treasury."

It is perhaps worthy your attention whether the law may not be much improved in the matter of security to be required from depositories. Under the law as it now stands the board of deposits, which keeps a record of its votes and acts, designates depositories by a majority vote.

I recommend an amendment of the law so as to provide that no bank shall be made a depository of the public funds without a unanimous vote of the officers constituting the "board of Deposits."

It must be apparent to all that too great safe-guards can not be placed around the deposit of public funds. It is to be conclusively presumed that no member of the board of deposits would in any event be influenced in his action except by a desire to serve the public interest, and if one member of the board as constituted, should, upon the showing made by any bank, or upon his investigation of the subject, be unwilling that it should be made a depository and put upon the same basis *as the treasury itself*, that fact alone ought to be sufficient to prevent its designation as a public depository.

CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF STATE RECORDS.

The recent destruction by fire of the state capitol of Pennsylvania, together with all the state records, has directed attention to the unprotected condition of our own state records now stored in the basement of this building. I recommend that some one of your committee be directed to make investigation of the condition of these records and the vault in which they are stored, and if it be found that they are not sufficiently protected, provision be made for the construction of a thoroughly fire proof vault, in which they may be stored with safety.

In this connection I submit herewith a report made to me by the secretary of state and the state treasurer, concerning the expenditures of the state during the years 1895 and 1896.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, MADISON, WIS.,
 HON. EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor of Wisconsin. FEBRUARY 6, 1897.

SIR:—An article in the *Milwaukee Sentinel* of Feb'y 4th, showing a seeming increase of state expenditures for the biennial period ending September 30, 1896, would seem to call for some explanation in order that the public may have a clear understanding.

Under the system of book-keeping in operation in the offices of the Secretary of State and State Treasurer, it is necessary that every dollar coming into the general fund of the state should show as a receipt, and every dollar disbursed therefrom as an expenditure. Under this system the one mill tax for the year 1894, amounting to \$600,000, and a portion of the nine-fortieth mill tax for the support and maintenance of the University, amounting to \$132,570, having been paid from the general fund surplus, instead of by levy upon the taxable property of the state, aggregating \$732,570, show in the biennial report as expenditures of the state government, when in reality they were not.

The figures given in the article in the *Sentinel*, as taken from the biennial report of the Secretary of State, are correct in every particular, but are misleading for the reasons given above. The increase of expenditures alleged for the fiscal years 1895 and 1896 over those for the fiscal years of 1893 and 1894 may be accounted for as follows:

Increase of expenditures.....	\$1,342,485 75	
This increase consists of the following:		
Payment of trust fund loans.....		\$260,000 00
One mill tax paid from general fund surplus		600,000 00
Part of 9-40 mill tax for university paid from general fund surplus..		132,570 00
Taking of census as required by the constitution and laws of the state		90,825 45
Printing census report.....		7,529 29
Increase for maintenance of chronic insane in county asylums, caused by an increased number of insane.		102,596 96
Paid to charitable and penal institutions, M. C. Clark treasurer, but refunded by said treasurer to the general fund, under chapter 202 of the laws of 1895.....		49,252 71
Money received from and expended for charitable and penal institutions, under chapter 202 of the laws of 1895.....		114,606 81
Balance.....	14,895 47	
Making a total of.....	\$1,357,381 22	\$1,357,381 22

To explain more fully, as it was apprehended, during the session of 1895, that the general fund receipts would not be sufficient to meet all the current expenses of the state and the appropriations of the legislature, payable from the general fund, chapter 52 of the laws of 1895 was enacted, authorizing a loan from the trust funds of the state to the general fund, in case it became necessary to meet the ordinary and current expenses of the state government and the appropriations of the legislature, of a sum sufficient for that purpose, to be re-paid to the trust funds from the general fund revenues of the state for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1896. Accordingly \$260,000 was transferred from the trust funds to the general fund, which amount was re-transferred to the trust funds, as provided by law, and was not an expenditure.

The laws of Wisconsin provide that there shall be levied annually, a one mill tax for the maintenance of the common schools of the state, and a 9-40 mill tax for the support and maintenance of the State University. As it appeared that there was sufficient money in the general fund to pay these taxes, the sum of \$732,570 which had heretofore been paid by the counties, was paid out of the general fund surplus instead of by levy of a mill tax upon the counties.

The constitution of the state, reinforced by Section 991 of the R. S., provides for the taking of the state census every ten years. To carry out the provisions of this act, and for printing the census report, \$98,354.74 was expended by the state.

Chapter 202 of the laws of 1895 abolished the custom of transferring to the Treasurer of the Board of Control of the charitable and penal institutions, the money estimated to be expended in the succeeding month for the maintenance of the several institutions, and accordingly \$49,252.71, which was transferred in April for that purpose, was refunded to the general fund. Under this law the receipts of the several institutions were also paid into the State Treasury, to the amount of \$114,606.81, which, prior to the enactment of this law, were not accounted for in the receipts and disbursements in the reports of the Secretary of State and State Treasurer. This explanation would show a credit to the State Board of Control, in their expenditures, of \$163,859.52.

The increase for the maintenance of the chronic insane in the county asylums is wholly due to the increased number of patients therein, and the provisions of chapter 233 of the laws of 1881, providing that the state shall pay each county \$1.50 per week for each patient so cared for, accounts for the increase in this item.

While it is true that in some departments of the state government there is an increased expenditure for clerk hire, it is also true that, leaving out the items mentioned herein, the actual expenses for running the state government were \$14,895.47 less than for the preceding biennial term. This may be readily ac-

counted for by the fact that there were decreased expenditures in matters other than clerk hire.

During the past year the Orange Judd Company made a compilation from the official reports of the several states of the union, showing an increase in state extravagance, making a comparison between the years 1860 and 1895. This table was compiled with the assistance of the governors, treasurers and auditors of the various states, and shows the expenditures in 1860, the assessed valuation, the population, the expense per capita, and the expense per one thousand dollars of taxable property, and also the same for the year 1895.

From the very interesting table compiled it concludes that Wisconsin is the only state in the list which has not shown an increase. The report closes with the following language:

"We thus find that the expense per capita of state administrations costs today several times more than it did in 1860. In Maine the increase per capita is 175 per cent., in Vermont 216 per cent., in Massachusetts 215 per cent., in Connecticut 528 per cent., in New Jersey 309 per cent., in Michigan 69 per cent., and in Iowa 71 per cent., while in Minnesota the expenses per capita of population are now 334 per cent. greater. Wisconsin has the proud distinction of showing a light decrease per capita, in expenses, and in Illinois the increase is only 15 per cent."

From the table given the expenses per capita in Wisconsin in 1860 were 2.21, and in 1895 2.13. In 1860 the expenses per one thousand dollars of assessable property was 9.20, and in 1895 6.98, being the only state in the entire list showing a decrease.

Yours very truly,

(Signed)

HENRY CASSON,

Secretary of State.

SEWELL A. PETERSON,

State Treasurer.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 11, S.,

A bill to authorize the German American Bank, of Oshkosh, Wis., to reduce its capital stock from two hundred thousand dollars to one hundred thousand dollars,

Was ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment proposed by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 1, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum, as amended by chapter 10 of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum,' " approved March 24, 1852,

As follows:

Section 7 shall read as follows:

All personal property of every name at any time owned by this corporation, and all real estate used and occupied for the purposes for which it is formed, shall not be subject to assessment or taxation, and shall be exempt therefrom,"

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 78, A.,

A bill making a contract to insure property void unless some note or memorandum thereof is made in writing, signed by such corporation or its agent, and amendatory of section 2307 of chapter 105 of the revised statutes,

No. 105, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 404 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act to cure defects in certain conveyances of real property," and to amend section 1 of chapter 26, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend section 1 of chapter 288, of the laws of 1891, relating to defects in recorded instruments,"

Were indefinitely postponed.

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

Was, on motion of Mr. Bullard,

Re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Utt,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1897.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Updike offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Meriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bullard, Cashin, Dresser, Feige, Gawin, Hindes, Lange, Maertz, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Thomas, Thompson, Wheeler and Wolfinger—20.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Bullard, Cashin, Dresser, Feige, Gawin, Hindes, Lange, Peterson, Palacheck, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, D. K. Smith, Thomas, Wheeler and Wolfinger for this session.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Messrs. Latta, Olson, Hughes, Polley, Hogan and others:
Pet. No. 75, A.,

A petition from various publishers and editors of newspapers of this state praying for the passage of bill No. 223, A., relating to pharmacy.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 76, A.,

Petition of B. J. Humphrey Post, No. 103, New Richmond, of forty-three members; resolutions favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 77, A.,

Petition of John Granzo Post, No. 198, Seymour, Wis., of nineteen members; resolutions favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 78, A.,

Petition of George A. Custer Post, No. 140, Ashland, Wis., fifty-nine members; resolutions favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 79, A.,

Petition of James Shield's Post, No. 145, Medford, Wis., twenty-four members; resolutions favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 80, A.,

Petition of Francis Steffen Post, No. 210, Hortonville, Wis., fifty-nine members; resolutions favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 81, A.,

Petition of Cutler Post, No. 55, G. A. R., department of Wisconsin, at Wausau, Wisconsin, thirty-four members, in regard to placing statue of Comrade Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 82, A.,

Petition of E. B. Wolcott, Post No. 1, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, three hundred and twenty members; resolutions favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 83, A.,

Petition of Edward T. Parr, of Wyoming, and forty-three others, against the repeal of the Sunday law.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Beach:

Pet. No. 84, A.,

Petition from pastors of Arcadia and Strum churches in Trempealeau county, indorsed by two hundred and eighty-seven members, against repeal of Sunday law.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 85, A.,

Petition of the Congregational and Methodist Episcopal churches of Wyoming, Wis., against the repeal of the Sunday laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 86, A.,

Petition of the young people of the society of Christian Endeavor of Wyoming, Wis., numbering thirty-six members, against the repeal of the Sunday law.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 87, A.,

Petition of Rev. B. Davies, W. J. Robinson, W. L. Wigelman, H. T. Bailey and others, against repeal of Sunday observance laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 88, A.,

Petition of Rev. Henry Goodacre, Lee McMurtrey, E. M. Pease and others, against repeal of Sunday observance laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 89, A.,

Petition of Rev. J. W. Francis, H. J. Morrison, S. C. Hyatt, L. W. Baxter, J. E. Coffland and forty others, against repeal of Sunday observance laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 90, A.,

Petition of L. C. DeLano and sixty-one others, of the village of Abrams, Oconto county, relating to the game laws.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Risum:

Pet. No. 91, A.,

Petition of H. Stark and others, in favor of bill No. 72, A., introduced by Mr. Utt, relating to noxious weeds.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 92, A.,

Petition of J. W. Squires and sixty-three others, asking for passage of the railroad baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

Additional copies of bills

Were ordered printed as follows:

On motion of Mr. Polley,

One hundred of No. 604, A.,

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Five hundred of No. 593, A.,

On motion of Mr. Clason,

Two hundred of No. 233, A.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 167, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service of cities,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,

Chairman.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin,

□ Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass.

J. O. DAVIDSON,

Chairman

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county."

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurers,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation they do pass.

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 10, A.,

A bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of cigarettes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 8, S.,

A bill to authorize commissioners of public lands to invest a portion of the trust funds of the state in bonds of school district No. 2 of the city of Appleton,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments,

No. 231, A.,

* A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,

With recommendation that they do pass.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to commitments to the home for feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and when so amended recommend that it do pass.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass as amended by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Legislative Expenditures, to whom was referred:

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature, and to make an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with amendment, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended.

A. L. UTT,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

That part of the executive communication of yesterday, which relates to state depositories,

Was referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 13, A.,

Relating to the printing of joint resolutions;

And has non-concurred in assembly amendment, to

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Relating to the banking code.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

Further consideration of this resolution was postponed until next Tuesday.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 11, S.,

A bill to authorize the German American Bank of Oshkosh, Wis., to reduce its capital stock from two hundred thousand dollars to one hundred thousand dollars,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 34, S.,

A bill to appropriate money for purchase of stationery for the use of the state,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment proposed by the committee on Claims, to

No. 40, S.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay for the copies of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes for this legislature,

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes relating to liens of mechanics and others,

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds,

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz, in Marinette county, Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 88, A.,

A bill relating to trials by jury,

No. 97, A.,

A bill to prevent the establishment of a saloon and the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of grounds or parks owned or leased by old settlers' societies or associations and occupied by such society for meetings, celebrations, picnics and pleasureable gatherings,

No. 107, A.,

A bill granting Oliver Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, the right to keep and maintain a ferry from Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., to Lake City, Minnesota, for a term of years.

No. 134, A.,

A bill to amend section 1259 of the annotated statutes relating to the returning of highway taxes,

No. 137, A.,

A bill to amend sections 662 and 663 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county board of supervisors,

No. 147, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2 and 3, chapter 243, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to codify and amend the laws relating to countersigning diplomas and life certificates,"

No. 151, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, by chapter 296 of the laws of 1885, and by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Taylor moved that when the assembly adjourns,
It be until 8.30 p. m. next Monday.
The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Stone,
The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Kempton offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—73.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Borchsenius, Church, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Maertz, Pierce, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K. Stanley, Staples, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman and Woller—27.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. D. F. Jones, Church, Rosenkrans, Clark, Stanley, Gawin, White, D. K. Smith, Schellenberg, Goodell, Rutherford, Edwards, Borchsenius, Maertz, Staples, Woller, Dresser, Davidson, Fogo, Klabunde, White, Wipperman and Wheeler for this session.

To Mr. Welch until next Thursday.

To Messrs. Pierce and Sieker, indefinitely.

The journal of Friday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 93, A.,

Petition of Chilton Post, No. 205, Chilton, Wis., sixty-one members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 94, A.,

Petition of Stevens Point Post, No. 156, Stevens Point, Wis., 54 members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 95, A.,

Petition of Robert Chivas Post, No. 2, Milwaukee, Wis., one hundred and fifty-six members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 96, A.,

Petition of Fred S. Lovell Post, No. 230, Kenosha, Wis., seventy-two members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Pratt:

Pet. No. 97, A.,

Petition of I. N. Nicholas Post, No. 77, River Falls, Wis., sixty-eight members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Risum:

Pet. No. 98, A.,

Petition of Wm. Hawley Post, No. 81, to have the statues of Generals Rusk and Fairchild placed in statuary hall, Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reinnoldt: (By request.)

Pet. No. 99, A.,

Petition signed by over one hundred members of the St. Michael's church of Milwaukee, protesting against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Messrs. Lange, McDonald, Hindes, True, Anson, Froehlich, Hogan, Hurlbut, Wylie, Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 100, A.,

Petition for the passage of 223, A., amending the pharmacy act.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 101, A.,

Petitions of the M. E. church of Wauwatosa, one hundred and eighty-nine members, against the repeal of the Sunday laws.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 102, A.,

Petition of C. A. Nystrum and sixty-five others, for the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 103, A.,

Remonstrance of H. A. Venne and thirty others, against passage of proposed insurance laws.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hughes:

Pet. No. 104, A.,

Remonstrance of Mrs. Wood, president of the W. C. T. U., and thirty-five others, against the repeal of the Sunday closing act.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 105, A.,

Petition for the passage of the Whitehead bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 106, A.,

Petition of D. H. Pollock, of Beloit, and forty-three others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Peterson:

Pet. No. 107, A.,

Remonstrance of A. J. Smith and thirteen others, against the passage of the Whitehead bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 108, A.,

Petition of forty-five residents of Milwaukee, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Feige:

Pet. No. 109, A.,

Petition favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 110, A.,

Petition favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 111, A.,

Petition signed by twenty-one persons, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 112, A.,

Petition of W. W. Jackson and twenty-one others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 113, A.,

Petition of twenty-three citizens of Columbia county, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 114, A.,

Petition of citizens of Milwaukee county, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

For constitutional amendment relating to circuit courts.

And has concurred in

No. 8, A.,

A bill making the general terms of court in the 16th judicial circuit a special term for all other counties in said circuit,

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, Of the collection of taxes,

No. 59, A.,

A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 34, S.,

A bill to appropriate money for purchase of stationery for the use of the state,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in: Ayes, 70; noes, none; absent or not voting, 30.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clason, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—70.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Maertz, Pierce, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Thomas, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wiperman and Woller—30.

No. 40, S.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay for the copies of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes for this legislature,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill as amended was read a third time and concurred in: Ayes, 70; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 29.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum,

Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wolf, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—70.

Noes—Mr. Lange—1.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Church, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Pierce, Rosencrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Thomas, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman and Woller—29.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 8, S.,

A bill to authorize commissioners of public lands to invest a portion of the trust funds of the state in bonds of school district No. 2 of the city of Appleton,

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature, and to make appropriations therefor.

The committee on Legislative Expenditures offered the following amendment to No. 50, S.:

Amend section 1 by striking out all before the word sergeant-at-arms, so that said section will read as follows:

The chief clerk of the senate is hereby authorized to appoint for the present session of the legislature three (3) additional clerks for committees not now provided with clerks.

The chairmen of the committees on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, on Finance, Banks and Insurance and on Cities of the assembly are hereby authorized to appoint for the present session of the legislature one clerk for each of their committees

The sergeant-at arms of the senate is hereby authorized to appoint six (6) messengers to meet the wants of the senate. The compensation of the clerks of committees provided for in this act shall be three (3) dollars a day and the compensation of messengers shall be two dollars a day.

Mr. Eaton offered the following amendment to the amendment of No. 50, S., as offered by the committee on Legislative Expenditures.

Add after the word cities, "and committee on Agriculture."

Mr. McGrath moved that further action on bill No. 50, S., be deferred until next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m., when it should be made a special order of business.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county,"

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurers,

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 10, A.,

A bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of cigarettes,

No. 167, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895 relating to civil service of cities,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

The amendments offered by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to commitments to the home for feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts
amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals

Was re-committed to the committee on Fish and Game,

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Kempton offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Flagg, Gawin, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Maertz, Pierce, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Staples, Welch, Wipperman and Woller—14.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. D. F. Jones, Maertz, Klabunde, Flagg, Sheffer and Gawin, for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 115, A.,

Petition of Samuel H. Sizer Post, No. 207, Marinette, Wis., seventy-seven members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 116, A.,

Petition of John H. Williams Post, No. 4, Berlin, Wis., eighty-nine members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 117, A.

Petition of Walter Waterman Post, No. 197, Plainfield, Wis., sixty-four members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 118, A.,

Petition of Gov. Harvey Post, No. 17, Racine, Wis., one hundred and fifty-four members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 119, A.,

Petition of J. A. Kellogg Post, No. 78, Antigo, Wis., eighty-two members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 120, A.,

Petition of Amel Boosted and forty-four others, for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 121, A.,

Petition of Phil Hart and eighty-five others, citizens of Calumet county, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 122, A.,

Petition of S. F. Morgan, W. M. Foster and forty-six other citizens of the city of Port Washington, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 123, A.,

Petition of residents of Campbellsport and New Cassell, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 124, A.,

Petition signed by forty-one residents of West Superior, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 125, A.,

Petition of Milwaukee people, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 126, A.,

Petition of twenty-two citizens of the city of Madison, praying for the enactment of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Connors:

Pet. No. 127, A.,

Petition of thirty citizens of Ashland county, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

Pet. No. 128, A.,

Petition signed by eighteen business men of the nineteenth ward of the city of Milwaukee, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 129, A.,

Petition from Appleton, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 130, A.,

Petition of Thomas Faber and four hundred and sixty-six other residents of Madison, Wis., praying for the passage of an anti-cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 131, A.,

Petition of Rev. R. E. Denison and four hundred and sixty-eight other residents of Janesville, Wis., praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Pratt:

Pet. No. 132, A.,

Petition from Stockholm, Pepin and Maiden Rock, five hundred and eighty-seven names, granting ferry charter to Ira Fuller.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 133, A.,

Remonstrance from residents of Fond du Lac, against passage of the resolution for the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 134, A.,

Remonstrance from residents of South Milwaukee, against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 135, A.,

Remonstrance of the Medical Liberty league of Wisconsin, of over eight hundred signatures of citizens of Milwaukee, against the passage of the medical bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 136, A.,

Remonstrance from residents of West Milwaukee, against the passage of No. 10, S., a bill to revise the insurance laws.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 137, A.,

Petition of E. B. Fischer of Reeseville, Dodge county, and twenty-eight others, praying for the passage of bill No. 235, A., relating to the regulation of the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 138, A.,

Petition of Dr. Holliday and seventy others, praying for the passage of assembly bill No. 41.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 139, A.,

Petition of Dr. John Hund, for the passage of bill No. 41, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 140, A.,

Petition of G. A. Comstock and twenty-six others of Winnebago county, asking for the passage of bill No. 303, A., relating to exemption from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 141, A.,

Petition of Scott & Ward, for the passage of bill No. 223, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value, in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455, of chapter 114, of revised statutes of 1878,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments in the form of a substitute, and recommend its passage when so amended.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63, of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general fund,

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes, relating to liens of mechanics and others.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The bills were referred to the committee on Bills in The Third Reading.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That there be a committee appointed consisting of three from the senate and five from the assembly, to revise the banking code, and to report by a bill at this session, so that if approved it may be submitted to a vote of the people at our next election,

Was, on motion of Mr. Ray,

Re-referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 8, S.,

A bill to authorize commissioners of public lands to invest a portion of the trust funds of the state in bonds of school district number two of the city of Appleton,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

Additional copies of bills were ordered printed as follows:

On motion of Mr. Rosenkraus,

Three hundred of No. 240, A.

On motion of Mr. White,

One hundred of No. 39, A.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,

Three hundred of No. 537, A.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

One hundred of No. 606, A.

On motion of Mr. Hindes,

The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1897.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kempton offered prayer

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Scheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clason, Jones D. F., Minch, Pierce, Sether, Staples, Welsh, and Wiperman—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. D. F. Jones, Clason, Staples and Wiperman for this session.

The journal of Tuesday was approved

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 142, A.,

Petition of George B. Lincoln Post, No. 215, Union Grove, Wis., thirty-one members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 143, A.,

Petition of residents of Fond du Lac county, for the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 144, A.,

Petition of E. D. Johnson and thirty-nine others, asking for the passage of No. 537, A., to regulate and control the sale of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 145, A.,

Petition of eighteen residents of Milwaukee, recommending the passage of bills Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., authorizing a statue of Gen. Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 146, A.,

Petition of E. W. Chamberlain and twenty-one others, praying for passage of bills Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., relating to the erection of a statue of Gen. Fairchild in Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 147, A.,

Petition of thirty citizens of Waukesha, in favor of placing a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in memorial hall, Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 148, A.,

Petition of forty citizens of Waukesha, in favor of placing of a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in memorial hall, Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 149, A.,

Petition from Outagamie county, favoring the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 150, A.,

Petition of eighteen citizens of Nashotah, in favor of the passage of the bicycle bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 151, A.,

Petition of W. H. Beach and others, for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 152, A.,

Petition of Joseph Stephens and twenty others, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 153, A.,

Petition of A. V. Pier, A. J. Strang and others, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 154, A.,

Petition from Outagamie county, favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Webster:

² Pet. No. 155, A.,

Petition of Henry Grudy, Fox Lake, and ten others, praying for passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 156, A.,

Petition of E. C. Pratt and thirty-six others, of the city of Beaver Dam, praying for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 157, A.,

Petition of citizens of Douglas county, for passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 158, A.,

Petition of citizens of Walworth county, for passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 159, A.,

Petition of P. W. McCrystal and fifty-five others, for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 160, A.,

Petition of J. F. Hancock, and seventy-seven others for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill

To committee on Railroads

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 161, A.,

Petition of citizens of Walworth county favoring passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 162, A.,

Petition of A. C. Munger and twenty others favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 163, A.,

Petition of Harry Wheeler and two hundred and sixty-four others, praying for the passage of bill No. 537, A., to regulate the sale of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 164, A.,

Petition from common council of Appleton, Outagamie county, favoring issuance of railroad companies of 1000 mile mileage books at 2 cents per mile.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 165, A.,

Petition of forty-two taxpayers of Beloit, asking for the passage of No. 310, A., for the semi-annual collection of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 166, A.,

Petition of forty citizens of Beloit, asking for the passage of No. 310, A., for the semi-annual collection of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 167, A.,

Petition of Thomas E. Balding, and twenty-one other citizens of Milwaukee in favor of the passage of No. 159, A., a bill authorizing the placing of a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 168, A.,

Petition of seventy-six citizens of Beloit, for the placing of a statue of Hon. Jerry Rusk in statuary hall in the national capitol.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 169, A.,

Remonstrance of Eugene Gross and forty-five others against the return of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 170, A.,

Remonstrance from residents of Milwaukee county, against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 171, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. James O'Keefe, of Mineral Point, and 124 others, against recalling the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Krauss:

Pet. No. 172, A.,

Petition in favor of the passage of bill No. 159, A., relating to statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 173, A.,

Remonstrance from citizens of Outagamie county against removal of Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hogan:

Pet. No. 174, A.,

Petition for the passage of bill No. 223, amending pharmacy act of 1895.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 175, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church of Delton, Wis., against repeal of Sunday laws.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 176, A.,

Remonstrance of W. J. Miller, N. G. Waite and others, against the repeal of the Sunday laws.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 177, A.,

Remonstrance of Welsh Presbyterian church of Racine, of two hundred and fifty members, against repeal of Sunday laws.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 178, A.,

Petition of residents of North Greenfield, for the passage of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool selling.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 179, A.,

Remonstrance of Delavan Gun Club, against spring shooting of ducks.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 180, A.,

Petition of Geo. E. Stebbins Post, G. A. R., favoring the placing of the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in the halls at Washington.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 181, A.,

Petition of J. Jamieson and one hundred others, citizens of La Fayette county, for the passage of a bill to protect the people of the state against quack doctors.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 182, A.,

Remonstrance of Wm. Farris and seventy-five other citizens of Wauwatosa, for the passage of bill No. 130, A., against pool selling.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 183, A.,

Petition of electors of Waukesha county, asking that the statues of General Fairchild and Rusk be placed in the halls of congress.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 184, A.,

Petition of G. F. Stuerve and thirty-three others asking for the passage of bill No. 166, A., relating to liens.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 185, A.,

Remonstrance against changing boundary lines of the village of Clinton, county of Rock, state of Wisconsin, signed by Solon Cooper and others.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 186, A.,

Petition from National Home, in favor of bill No. 159, A., favoring the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 187, A.,

Petition for the repeal of the struck jury law.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 188, A.,

Petition of the Baptist and Methodist churches of North Greenfield, in favor of the anti-pool bill.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 189, A.,

Petition of J. E. Farber and twenty-nine others, asking for the passage of section 18 of bill No. 57, S., relating to spring shooting.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 190, A.,

Petition of Valentine Raeth and fifty others, asking for the passage of section 18 of bill No. 57, S., relating to spring shooting.

To committee on Fish and Game:

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 191, A.,

Petition signed by J. Gumm and one hundred and fifty-three others, asking for passage of laws describing the ingredients to be used in the manufacture of pure food and drink, and a law taxing mortgages.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 192, A.,

Remonstrance of members of St. Michael church, of Milwaukee, against removal of Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Barnum:

Jt. Res. No. 16, A.,

Resolved. That the governor be, and he hereby is, instructed to direct the superintendent of public property to set apart a suitable room in the capitol building for their use as headquarters of the department Wisconsin Grand Army of the Republic, after May next, that part of agricultural room No. 125 be designated as such room, the occupancy of said room by the G. A. R. not to interfere with its use by the legislature as a committee room when in session.

Laid over.

By Mr. Barnum:

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Resolved that the assembly, the senate concurring, Send the strong sympathy of the people of the state of Wisconsin to the people of Cuba, in their heroic struggle for freedom from Spanish misrule, oppression and tyranny; that we protest, in the name of a common humanity, against the unspeakable cruelties, the shocking atrocities, now being committed by Spanish armies in that unhappy island; cruelties and atrocities unknown to civilized warfare and practiced only among savages; and that we earnestly urge upon the government of the United States to promptly and vigorously take such action as international law will permit, and humanity and civilization demand, to bring to a speedy close the butcheries and barbarities now going on un-

der the name of war, and secure, if possible, to the people of that island, liberty and lasting peace.

Resolved, That the chief clerk of the assembly be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the representatives and United States senators from Wisconsin in congress.

Laid over.

By Mr. Olson:

Jt. Res. No. 18, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the regents of the state university be requested to furnish to the legislature, as early as practicable, a report of the athletic council, giving in detail the receipts and expenditures of money in conducting athletics at the university during the year ending December 31, 1896

Laid over.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors,

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturers' bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys,

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sum of money therein named;" approved April 9, 1885,

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, as in all respects correct.

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state, and to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes,

No. 22, A.,

A bill to regulate the summoning of petit and grand jurors, to amend sections 2526, 2527, 2535, of the revised statutes, and acts amendatory thereof, and to repeal section 2536 of said statutes, relative to the drawing of jurors,

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal court and police courts of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years,

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The amendments in form of verbal corrections,
Were adopted.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed:

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurers,

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county,

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county,"

No. 1, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum, approved March 24, 1852,

No. 261, A.

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments,

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 272, A.,

A bill to regulate the term of liquor licenses in all towns, villages and cities,

No 146 A.,

A bill to require tax rolls in towns and villages to be indexed,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 281 of the laws of 1881,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 121, A., are as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out all after the word "office" where it occurs in the seventh line of the printed bill and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "And may fill any vacancy arising from such removal or from resignation, death or other cause by an appointment to fill the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term."

Amend section five by striking out the word "or" where it occurs after the word "which" in the second line of said section of the printed bill.

Amend section seven of the printed bill by inserting after the word "offered" in the fifth line of said section the words "for sale."

Amend section nine of the printed bill by inserting after the words "one-fourth" where they appear in the third line of said section, the words "of one inch."

Amend section eleven by striking out the words "two hundred and fifty" where it appears in the seventeenth line of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifteen hundred."

Amend the printed bill by adding the following section after section thirteen, to be known as section fourteen:

Section 14. "Nothing contained in the provisions of this act shall be so construed as to apply to crude petroleum."

Amend the printed bill by renumbering sections 14 and 15, to be sections 15 and 16, respectively.

No. 259, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1564 of the revised statutes relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and Sundays.

No. 260, A.,

A bill to repeal section 4595 of the revised statutes, relating to the keeping open of shops, etc., and doing business on Sundays.

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation it do pass.

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

With an amendment, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend by adding after the word "East" in the fourth line thereof the following: "and section thirty-one (31) in township thirty-five (35), north of range seven (7) east."

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 57, A.,

A bill relating to the release of options,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, R. S., relating to garnishee proceedings in justice court,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county,

No. 157, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to the county court of Winnebago county,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. McDonald,

The use of the assembly chamber was granted to Mr. Fouse for the purpose of a lecture on life insurance at 2 o'clock p. m. today.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in the assembly amendment, to

No. 40, S.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay for the copies of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes for this legislature

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Adding section to the constitution providing for board of pardons.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 299, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 302, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act relating to forms for and statements of licensed insurance companies and amendatory of section 1971 of the revised statutes," entitled, "of insurance corporations."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,
Was referred to committee on State Affairs.
No. 299, S.,
Was laid over.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature and to make an appropriation therefor,

The question being upon the amendment to the amendment reported by the committee on Legislative Expenditures, as offered by Mr. Eaton, adding the words:

"The committee on Agriculture of the assembly."

The ayes and noes being demanded, the amendment was lost.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 21; noes, 68; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bullard, Cashin, Clark, Eaton, Fogo, Froehlich, Hughes, Lange, Latta, Merriman, Mosher, Polacheck, Rosenkrans, Treat, True, Wheeler, Wolter and Yorkey—21.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Butties, Clack, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—68.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Church, Clason, Jones D. F., Olson, Parker, Pierce, Rutherford, Sether, Staples, Welch and Wipperman—11.

Mr. Davidson offered an amendment to the amendment, as follows:

Strike out all of section one, except the following: "The sergeant-at-arms of the senate is hereby authorized to appoint six messengers to meet the wants of the senate. The compensation of messengers shall be two dollars a day,"

Which was adopted.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill as amended, was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 89; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 9

Ayes.—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttlers, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—89.

Noes.—Messrs. Edwards and Plummer—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Church, Clason, Jones D. F., Olson, Pierce, Sether, Staples, Welch and Wipperman—9.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment in form of substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455 of chapter 114 of revised statutes of 1878,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds toward the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with the recommendation they do pass.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass,

Messrs. Hurlbut and Minch dissenting.

No. 38, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 331, of the laws of 1895, relating to a fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teachers' certificates,

No. 245, A.,

A bill to amend section 408, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to appropriation for teachers' institutes,

With the recommendation that action on the same be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

Mr. Hindes moved that bill No. 38, A., be re-committed to the committee on State Affairs,

The motion was lost.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 271, A.,

A bill relating to the granting and transferring of licenses for the sale of liquors in cities of the second and third class,

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of, chapter 51 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act providing for the non-payment of taxes on wide-tired wagons,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control,

No. 154, A.,

A bill relating to the naturalization of aliens and the declaration of intention to become citizens of the United States,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend sections 7 and 20 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 31, A.,

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 290, of the laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895 relating to duties and powers of superintendents of work houses, With amendment, and recommend when so amended do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Bill No. 116, A., amend by adding to section 1 the following: "And shall receive no fees for services rendered under this act."

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment and recommend the passage of the bill when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend 315, A., by striking out section four and inserting the following:

"Five dollars per mile of all operated railroads, except those operated on pile or pontoon bridges, whose gross earnings equal one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per mile, per annum, and are less than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per mile per annum of operated road, and in addition two and one-half (2½) per centum of their gross earnings in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per mile, per annum."

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child,

No. 317, A.,

A bill relating to guardians and wards,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

With amendments, recommending that the same do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 173, A.,

In the first line of section one of the original bill strike out the figures "1895" and insert in place thereof "1891."

In the fourth line of section one of the original bill strike out the word "fifty" and insert in place thereof the words "twenty-five," and

In the nineteenth line of section one of the original bill strike out the word "fifty" and insert in place thereof the words "twenty-five."

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Woller,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kempton offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith, J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wiperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—96.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Pierce, Sether, Staples and Welch—4.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 193, A.,

Remonstrance from residents of West Bend, Washington county, against the passage of the resolution for the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 194, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Clement Lau and forty-eight others, asking that the Marquette statue be not removed.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 195, A.,

Remonstrance of T. E. Halbenkaum and ninety-eight others, against the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Connors:

Pet. No. 196, A.,

Remonstrance from Daniel Leonard and seventy-five others, of Ashland county, against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Connors:

Pet. No. 197, A.,

Remonstrances from D. P. McNeil and one hundred and twenty-five others, of Iron county, against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 198, A.,

Petition of Henry E. Hess Post, No. 251, G. A. R., of Eureka, Wisconsin, favoring the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 199, A.,

Petition of members of Joe Hooker Post, G. A. R., Baraboo, Wis., and others—eighty-one names—in favor of Fairchild-Rusk monument bill.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 200, A.,

Petition of Philip A. Sheridan Post, No. 10, Oshkosh, Wis., one hundred and fifty-one members, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Buttles:

Pet. No. 201, A.,

Remonstrance of C. and J. Mitchell Brewing company and estate of H. T. Bliss, against passage of bill No. 193, A.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 202, A.,

Petition of one hundred and seventy-five citizens of Racine, relating to exemption laws—bill No. 624, A.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 203, A.,

Petition of Wm. E. Sanderson and seventy-five others, asking the passage of bill No. 46, A., asking the repeal of the exclusive franchise of the Milwaukee gas company.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Krauss:

Pet. No. 204, A.,

Petition of one hundred and twelve citizens and tax-payers of the town of Milwaukee, in favor of the passage of bill No. 175, A., relating to town meetings.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 205, A.,

Remonstrance of J. A. Wells, against the passage of 223, A., a bill to amend pharmacy law.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 206, A.,

Petition of Jay R. Hinckley, relating to pharmacy bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 207, A.,

Petition of citizens of the city of Milwaukee, that the Sunday law be not repealed.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wolff:

Pet. No. 208, A.,

Petition of sportsmen of Plymouth, Wis., for the enactment of game laws.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 209, A.,

Petition of Juneau Telephone, for the passage of assembly bill No. 223, amending the pharmacy act of 1895.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Eaton:

Pet. No. 210, A.,

Remonstrance of P. A. Shumacher and sixty-nine others, against memorial No. 3, A., for the return of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 211, A.,

Petition of Dr. J. L. Williamson and seven hundred and twenty-seven others, asking for the passage of section 18 of bill No. 57, S., relating to spring shooting.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 212, A.,

Petition of L. A. Hodges, of Monroe, Green county, and twenty-five others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 213, A.,

Petition of E. D. Ellis and twenty others, for passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 214, A.,

Petition of E. G. Wurthman and twenty-seven other citizens of the city of Cedarburg, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 215, A.,

Petition in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 216, A.,

Petition of A. A. Lueck and others, relating to the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 217, A.,

Petition of Frank Potter and twenty-one others, praying for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 218, A.,

Petitions of citizens of Milwaukee, favoring bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Morgan:

Pet. No. 219, A.,

Petition of Anton Eder and fifty-one others, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Jensen:

Jt. Res. No. 19, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Andrew Jensen be, and hereby is permitted to introduce a bill relating to highways and bridges and amendatory of chapter 132, of the laws of 1893, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 285, of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345, of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to highways and bridges,' "

Was adopted.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Jt. Res. No. 20, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the regents of the university of Wisconsin be and are hereby required to furnish to the legislature, as early as practicable, an itemized statement showing the total product of every kind produced on the university farm, especially the live stock, cheese, butter, milk, cream, eggs, hay, grain, vegetables and garden produce, together with the cost of production, disposition of and amount received therefor during the year ended December 31, 1896; also showing the amount and cost of labor and material used at machinery hall, the number and kind of articles manufactured, the disposition of and amount received therefor.

Was laid over.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 155, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125, laws of Wisconsin of 1895, relating to affidavits taken in other states,

No. 160, A.,

A bill to prevent county judges and clerks of the county courts from receiving any other compensation than the salary allowed by law,

No. 161, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 68, of the general laws of 1893, entitled "An act to reduce expenses in the circuit courts, and providing for the payment of fees of referees, etc,"

No. 162, A.,

A bill to amend section 4467, of the revised statutes, so as to provide a penalty for disposing of property on which the purchase money, or on which a mechanic's lien has not been paid,

No. 164, A.,

A bill relating to requirements to entitle a plat of land to be recorded,

No. 169, A.,

A bill to provide for the certificate of United States surveyor being admitted as legal evidence,

No. 170, A.,

A bill relating to the service of civil and criminal process by municipal officers,

No. 386, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for 1895,

No. 487, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments."

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with amendment, and with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

McGillivray, Cashin and Thompson dissenting,

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

We, the undersigned members of the joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred No. 50, A., appropriating \$8,000 to the Wisconsin state agricultural society, make the following report and ask for the passage of said bill, for the reasons:

The Wisconsin state agricultural society was organized March 8, 1851, incorporated for the purpose of promoting agricultural, horticultural, mechanical, manufacturing, and household arts, composed then of a few patriotic and enterprising men. How well they accomplished the purpose for which it was organized is best shown by reference to the splendid

grounds so thoroughly equipped in the county of Milwaukee, and the great strides which agriculture in all its bearings has made in Wisconsin, so much so that today she is recognized throughout the length and breadth of this great nation.

At many times during the eventful career of the agricultural society it has met with reverses, losses and deficits. Upon every occasion it came to the legislature of Wisconsin which it has always recognized as its parent and guardian, and has received the aid which it sought and needed. In 1885 a law was enacted appropriating \$4,000 annually to the society, a smaller amount having been previously appropriated. During all the time up to 1895 the society received said aid without question, but during the last two years the society has not received this appropriation. Had it received it, it would have made an amount equivalent to the present appropriation, and this request would have been unnecessary, and we care not what steps the state may take regarding the foreclosure of the mortgage which she holds against the society's grounds. The present indebtedness is legal and honestly contracted, and the state of Wisconsin, ought to, as we believe she will, come to the rescue of the society, and see that its honest debts are paid.

Having had the bill under consideration, we report the same back with the recommendation that the bill pass.

J. J. MCGILLIVRAY,

C. H. CASHIN,

H. M. THOMPSON.

Mr. Ray gave notice of intention to object to the signature of this report by one member of the committee who was absent during consideration.

The committee on Printing, to whom was referred:

No. 17, A.,

A bill for the distribution of the blue book,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

W. M. FOGO,

Chairman.

Referred to committee on Claims.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river

in Crawford county on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 7, in township 7 north, of range 4 west,

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

J. O. DAVIDSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes relating to the liens of mechanics and others,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were ordered.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 16, A.,

Relating to headquarters for the G. A. R.,

Was, on motion of Mr. Peterson,

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Expressing sympathy with Cuban patriots,

Was, on motion of Mr. Rutherford,

Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Jt. Res. No. 18, A.,

Requesting information from board of regents.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,

Action on the resolution was deferred.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 92; noes, none; absent or not voting, 8.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Hughes, Pierce, Sether, Sheffer, Staples, Utt and Welch—8.

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state,

No. 22, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2527, 2535, and to repeal section 2536 of the revised statutes relating to the drawing of jurors,

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878 relating to the duties of assessors,

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal and police courts of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years,

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturers' Bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named;" approved April 9th, 1885,

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

Mr. Rosenkrans, by unanimous consent, offered an amendment to

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys,

As follows:

Add to the end of section 1 the words: "The compensation of such acting district attorney shall be deducted from the salary of the district attorney."

On motion of Mr. Flett:

The bill, with proposed amendment,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 299, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 302, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act relating to forms for and statements of licensed insurance companies and amendatory of section 1971 of the revised statutes," of insurance corporations,

Was, on motion of Mr. Davidson,

Referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, relating to garnishment proceedings in justice courts,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 157, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to Winnebago county court,

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend sections 7 and 20 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses,

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers,

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child,

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state,

No. 317, A.,

A bill relating to guardians and wards,

No. 529, A.,

A bill to amend section 1771 of chapter 86 of 1878, entitled, "Of the organization of corporations,"

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 57, A.,

A bill relating to the release of options,

No. 146, A.,

A bill to require tax rolls in towns and villages to be indexed,

No. 259, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1564 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and Sundays,

No. 260, A.,

A bill to repeal section 4595, revised statutes, relating to the keeping open of shops, etc., and doing of labor on Sundays,

No. 272, A.,

A bill to regulate the term of liquor licenses in all towns, villages and cities,

No. 31, A.,

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses,

No. 38, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 331, of the laws of 1895, relating to fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teacher's certificates,

No. 154, A.,

A bill relating to the naturalization and the declaration of intention of aliens to become citizens of the United States.

No. 190, A.,

A bill relating to, and amendatory of, chapter 51 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act providing for the non-payment of taxes on wide-tired wagons,"

No. 245, A.,

A bill to amend section 408, of the revised statutes, of 1878, as amended by chapter 214, of the laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 7, of the laws of 1885, as amended by chapter 462, of the laws of 1891, relating to appropriation for teachers' institutes,

No. 271, A.,

A bill relating to the granting and transferring of licenses for the sale of liquors in cities of the second and third class,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control,

Was, on motion of Mr. Stone,

Referred to the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

Was, on motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The amendments offered by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to duties and powers of superintendents of work houses,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 281 of the laws of 1881,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Railroads, to

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Peterson

The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1897.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kempton offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith, J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—88.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Frink, Hughes, Jensen, McDonald, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Reynolds, Sether, Utt, Welch and Wolfinger—12.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Reynolds, Frink, Peterson, Wolfinger and McDonald for this session.

To Messrs. Hughes and Jensen until next Tuesday.

To Mr. Utt, indefinitely.

To Mr. Cashin after this session until next Tuesday.

Mr. Ray, pursuant to his notice of yesterday, in regard to the minority report of the joint committee on Claims,

Asked that the signature of Mr. White, a member of the committee who was absent during consideration of the report, be stricken from the same.

The speaker so ordered.

Mr. Polacheck objected to the ruling of the speaker.

The assembly on a vote sustained the ruling of the speaker.

The journal of Thursday, with correction as requested by Mr. Ray, was then approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 220, A.,

Petition of Jas. H. Elmore and eighty-three other citizens of Green Bay, favoring the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 221, A.,

Petition of Hon. Levi Howland and fifty-four other citizens of Green Bay, favoring the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 222, A.,

Petition of Millard Boyden and fifty-eight others, of Cumberland, Barron county, asking the passage of bills 98, S., and 159, A., in relation to the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 223, A.,

Petition of twenty-two signers, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 224, A.,

Petition of eight ex-soldiers and sailors, for the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 225, A.,

Petition of twenty-six ex-soldiers and sailors, for the General Lucius Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 226, A.,

Petition of D. A. Holmes and twenty-three others, of Milton, Wis., for Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 227, A.,

Petition from Outagamie county favoring Lucius Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 228, A.,

Petition of H. J. Christophers and twenty other citizens of London, Dane county, asking for the passage of bills Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., relating to the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 229, A.,

Petition from Milwaukee, to pass bills Nos. 98, S. and 159, A.,

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 230, A.,

Petition of twenty-two citizens of Lodi, asking for the passage of a bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild, and making appropriation therefor.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 231, A.,

Petition of L. H. D. Post, G. A. R., Beloit, of ninety members, and of forty-six other citizens of Beloit, for a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Latta:

Pet. No. 232, A.,

Petition of A. K. Kapellar and twenty-one others of Florence, Florence county, Wis., for passage of 98, S., and 159, A., relating to statue of Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 233, A.,

Petition of C. H. Powers and forty-five others, asking for the passage of bills Nos. 98, S., and 159. A., authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives, at Washington, a statue of General Lucius Fairchild, and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 234, A.,

Petition of W. B. Britton and forty-four others, favoring Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 235, A.,

Petition of R. B. Hayes Post, No. 76, Elkhorn, Wis., P. W. Flanders and twenty-one others, favoring the placing of the statue of Gen. Fairchild in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 236, A.,

Petition of twenty-two citizens of Wood county, asking the passage of No. 159, A., directing the placing of a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 237, A.,

Petition of Jonathan Ellsworth and forty-nine others, of Mauston, Wis., asking for the passage of bills Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., a bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild, and making appropriation therefor.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Polley:

Pet. No. 238, A.,

Petition for placing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in statuary hall.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hindes:

Petition favoring passage of bill No. 223, A., to amend pharmacy act.

Pet. No. 239, A.,

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Parker:

Pet. No. 240, A.,

Petition favoring amending pharmacy act.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 241, A.,

Petition of thirty-six citizens of Clinton, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 242, A.,

Petition of W. H. Plank and others, favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 243, A.,

Petition signed by twenty-one citizens of Wood county, requesting passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 244, A.,

Petition of twenty-two business men of city of Portage, in favor of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 245, A.,

Petition of J. W. Scott and twenty others, in favor of the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 246, A.,

Petition of William O'Neil and forty-four others, asking for passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 247, A.,

Petition of R. E. Roedl, of Beaver Dam, and twenty-five others, praying for the passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 248, A.,

Petition of E. H. Griffin of Waterloo, and twenty-five others, praying for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 249, A.,

Petition of C. A. Chapman and others, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 250, A.,

Petition from Outagamie county, favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 251, A.,

Petition of Chas W. Birkenmeyer and forty-seven others, of Edgerton, in favor of the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 252, A.,

Petition of Wm. A. Dodd and three others, of Milton Junction, in favor of the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 253, A.,

Remonstrance from Henry Colman, pastor of M. E. church, against bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 254, A.,

Petition of Frank Meixner and eight-nine others, asking for passage of section 18 of bill No. 57, S.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 255, A.,

Petition from residents of the city of Oconto, relating to the game laws.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 256, A.,

Petition of James P. Gage and forty-one other residents of Milton Junction, praying for the passage of bill No. 206, A., relating to hotels and inns.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 257, A.,

Petition of Henry Holmes and twenty other citizens of Wauwatosa, to enact the law against pool-selling, bill No. 130 A.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 258, A.,

Remonstrance from Rev. J. A. Bertram and one hundred and thirty-seven others, of Hartford, Washington county, against the passage of resolution for the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 259, A.,

Petition of twenty-five merchants of Wood county, asking the passage of bills Nos. 162, A., 194, A., and 238, A., relating to the exemption of lien laws.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 260, A.,

Petition of J. L. R. McCollum, Samuel Akey, P. H. Emerson and other resident freeholders of the towns of Buena Vista and Ithaca, favoring the passage of the bill to change the boundary lines of certain towns in Richland county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 261, A.,

Petition of C. G. Thomas, E. N. McCorkle, James Nolan and other resident freeholders of Ithaca, Richland county, for passage of bill to change boundary lines of certain towns in Richland county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 262, A.,

Petition of W. M. Allen and twenty-eight others, urging the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorneys,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to appealable orders,

With amendments, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments,

With amendments in the form of a substitute bill, with the recommendation that such substitute bill do pass in the stead of the original bill.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 186, A., as recommended by Judiciary committee, is as follows:

In the first line of section 3, by striking out the word "denies" and inserting in place thereof the word "continues."

No. 25, A.,

A bill to legalize election districts in certain cases,

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 4771 of chapter 194 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to security for costs in criminal cases in justices' courts, and

No. 204, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 52, section 1304, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes; relating to appeals,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 184, A.,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Juneau relating to the use of county jail,

Have instructed me to report the same back, in accordance with a vote of the assembly, with the recommendation that it be returned to Mr. Clason, who introduced the same.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Dairy and Food, to whom was referred:

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies,

No. 455, A.,

A bill amendatory of section one, chapter 425, laws of 1889, relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

WM. H. FROELICH,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 234, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, and chapter 296, of the laws of 1885, and chapter 286, of the laws of 1893, relating to the excise and sale of intoxicating liquors,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private insane asylums,

With an amendment, and recommend the passage of the bill when so amended.

The amendment is as follows:

Amend bill No. 48, A., by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Section 1, chapter 171, of the laws of 1883, is hereby amended by striking out subdivision 10 from section 1.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1898.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 396, A.,

A bill relating to the obstruction of creeks, rivulets and small streams,

No. 51, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 154, laws of 1895, relating to the destruction of weeds,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with a recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

With amendments, and recommend the passage of the bill when so amended,

Mr. Webster dissenting.

The proposed amendments to No. 72, A., are as follows:

First amendment.

By adding after the word "weeds" in line eleven (11), section one (1), the words "and all other weeds."

Second amendment.

To amend bill 72, A., by adding after section one the following, to be known as section two:

Section 2. After reading the act relating to noxious weeds at the annual town meetings, as provided for in chapter 233, laws of 1885, the chairman of each town, or the officer presiding at such town meeting, shall put to the qualified voters present at such meeting the following proposition for their decision, to-wit: "Shall the superintendent or superintendents of highways be ex-officio commissioners of noxious weeds in their respective road districts?" If answered by the majority of the voters present in the affirmative, the chairman of such town shall appoint such superintendent or superintendents as commissioners of noxious weeds, and no others; but if a majority of the voters present shall reject the proposition, then the chairman of such town shall proceed as prescribed in section 3 of chapter 432, laws of 1889.

Such superintendent or superintendents of highways duly appointed shall be ex-officio commissioners of noxious weeds in their respective road districts, and after taking the oath of office shall be clothed with all the powers, perform all the duties, receive all the immunities, and shall be subject to the same penalties as provided for in chapter 432 of the laws of 1889.

Section two to be renumbered as section three.

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:
Memorial to Congress No. 4,

Requesting Congress to pass house of representatives bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks of the United States railway mail service,

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways,

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers,"

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409 of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that they do pass.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 277, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to provide for the sale and use of anti-toxine diphtheretic serum,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 299, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 302, laws of 1891, in regard to publication of statements of insurance companies,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

W. A. JONES,

Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 8, A.,

A bill making the general terms of court in the 16th judicial circuit a special term for all the other counties in said circuit,

No. 59, A.,

A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

No. 24, A.,

A bill to amend section 1109, chapter 49 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, Of the collection of taxes,

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages,

Report that they have carefully examined said bills and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

The committee on Bills in Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurer,

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz, in Marinette county,

No. 261, A.

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments,

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphans' asylum," as amended by chapter 10 of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum, approved March 24th, 1852,'"

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county,"

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were approved.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sum of money therein named to the Milwaukee industrial school for girls,

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to the commitment, care and custody of epileptics, feeble-minded, and idiots to the Wisconsin home for the feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed,

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds towards the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes,

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state,

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value, in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455, of chapter 114, of revised statutes of 1878,

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county,

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, revised statutes relating to garnishee proceedings in justice courts,

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child,

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of a work house by any one, two or more counties within the state in which to confine certain offenders at hard labor, and prescribing and regulating the punishment of certain offenders,

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to duties and powers of superintendent of work house,

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 317, A.,

A bill relating to guardians and wards.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 22, S.,

For the appointment of a committee to visit Wisconsin veterans' home and Downer college, at Fox Lake.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Memorial to congress for certain amendments to the act authorizing the construction of a steel bridge over the St. Louis river between the states of Wisconsin and Minnesota.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 25, S.,

Allowing Senator Putnam to introduce a bill,

Jt. Res. No. 27, S.,

Fixing the date of adjournment,

Jt. Res. No. 14, S.,

Asking the representatives of Wisconsin in congress to secure the passage of the Torrey bankruptcy law.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 21, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 379 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for the year 1857, providing for the vacation of certain streets in the city of Milwaukee,

No. 36, S.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12, of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 38, S.,

A bill to amend section 2625 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the place of trial of civil actions,

No. 60, S.,

A bill to amend section 1364a, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to sidewalks in towns,

No. 66, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294,

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee," approved March 1, 1851, as amended by private and local laws of 1853, chapter 257, private and local laws of 1855, chapter 63, and laws of 1876, chapter 209,

No. 87, S.,

A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes and cigarette paper to minors.

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878 relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county,

No. 114, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 303, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide clerks of county courts,"

No. 117, S.,

A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice,

No. 124, S.,

A bill to permit sureties on bonds to limit their liability,

No. 140, S.,

A bill to amend section 529, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to the employment of teachers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 149, S.,

A bill to amend section 1632, revised statutes, relating to appraisal of damages done by animals,

No. 275, S.,

A bill to amend section 2432, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to circuit courts.

And has concurred in

No. 5, A.,

A bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to
Memorial to congress, No. 1,
Was concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 27, S.,

Mr. Stanley offered an amendment fixing the time of adjournment to 8:30 p. m. Tuesday,

The resolution, as amended;

Was concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 25, S.,

Was concurred in.

Joint resolutions Nos. 14 and 22, S.,

Were laid over.

The following bills were read first and second times and referred.

No. 21, S.,

To committee on Cities.

No. 36, S.,

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

Nos. 38, 117, 124, 149 and 275, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 60, 92 and 114, S.,

To committee on Town and County Organization.

No. 66, S.,

To committee on Corporations.

Nos. 67 and 140, S.,

To committee on Education.

No. 87, S.,

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes, relating to liens of mechanics and others,

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 155, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125, laws of Wisconsin of 1895, relating to affidavits taken in other states,

No. 160, A.,

A bill to prevent county judges and clerks of the county courts from receiving any other compensation than the salary allowed by law,

No. 161, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 68, of the general laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to reduce expenses in the circuit courts, and providing for the payment of fees of referees, etc.,"

No. 162, A.,

A bill to amend section 4467, of the revised statutes, so as to provide a penalty for disposing of property on which the purchase money, or on which a mechanic's lien has not been paid,

No. 164, A.,

A bill relating to requirements to entitle a plat of land to be recorded,

No. 169, A.,

A bill to provide for the certificate of United States surveyor being admitted as legal evidence in the courts of this state,

No. 170, A.,

A bill relating to the service of civil and criminal process by municipal officers,

No. 386, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for 1895, relating to deeds.

No. 487, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments,"

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 7, in township 7 north, of range 4 west,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

Mr. Polacheck moved that the minority report of the joint committee on Claims be substituted for the majority report.

Mr. Flett moved that action on this bill be made a special order of business for next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

Mr. Lewis moved to adjourn.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

Mr. Hoyt moved that the house take a recess until 7 o'clock p. m.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Polacheck moved the previous question.

The motion was seconded.

The ayes and noes being required to order the main question, it was decided in the negative, and the assembly refused to order the main question to be put.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 26; noes, 61; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Anson, Bechtel, Buffington, Cashin, Dresser, Eaton, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Legried, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Minch, Schellenberg, Stanley, Sweeting, Wheeler, Wipperman, and Wolter—26.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hurd, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Latta, Lewis, Merriman, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, White, Wolff, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—61.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Frink, Hughes, Jensen, McDonald, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Reinnoldt, Sether, Thompson, Utt, Welch, and Wolfinger—13.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has refused to concur in assembly amendment to

Jt. Res. No. 27, S.,

Fixing date of adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

The assembly adjourned until next Monday, at 8:30 p. m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1897,

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Father Knox offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bul-
lard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Dresser,
Eaton, Flagg, Gawin, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes,
Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange,
Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath,
Minch, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck,
Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith D. K.,
Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas,
Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler,
White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and
Mr. Speaker—68.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, But-
tles, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink,
Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Jensen, Klabunde, Maertz, McDonald,
Morgan, Niss, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Reynolds, Risum,
Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Stone, Utt and
Wipperman—32.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On motion of Mr. Marsh,

All absent members were granted leave of absence.

The journal of Friday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 263, A.,

Petition of A. H. Hollister and eighty-one others, for the passage of bills Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington, a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 264, A.,

Petition of A. S. Douglas and fifty others, for the passage of bill No. 159, A., for statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 265, A.,

Petition of Col. E. M. Bartlett and twenty-three others, to place the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 266, A.,

Petition of James Sawyer and twenty-two others, that statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild be placed in the old hall of the house of representatives.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 267, A.,

Petition of J. V. Quarles and twenty-one others, asking that statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild be placed in old hall of house of representatives.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 268, A.,

Petition of John Newton and fifty-one others, of New Lisbon, Wis., asking to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives, at Washington, a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 269, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. A. Havestadt and forty-one others, against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 270, A.,

Remonstrance of John Buckley and one hundred others, against the memorial to congress requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to the state.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 271, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. John E. Pancha and one hundred and twelve others of Union Center, Juneau county, Wis., against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 272, A.,

Remonstrance of the Rt. Rev. C. C. Grafton, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Fond du Lac, the Hon. E. S. Bragg, the Rev. Ph. Hodzel, of St. Peter's Lutheran church, Fond du Lac; the pastors of Protestant and Catholic parishes of Fond du Lac; the mayor and common council; the circuit and county judges and the superintendent of schools and other business men and citizens of Fond du Lac, against the passage of the memorial for the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 273, A.,

Remonstrance of S. P. O'Reilly and ninety-two others of Ridgeway, Wis., against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 274, A.,

Remonstrance from citizens of Mosinee, against removal of Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 275, A.,

Petition of A. C. Decker and forty-two others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 176, A.,

Petition of Dan. J. Fernekes and twenty-three others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 277, A.,

Petition of citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 278, A.,

In favor of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 279, A.,

In favor of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Reinnoldt:

Pet. No. 280, A.,

In favor of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 281, A.,

Remonstrance of Ignatz Czerwinski and fifty other citizens and tax-payers of Milwaukee, against bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain language and one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 282, A.,

Petition of the women's praying band of the second ward of Madison, asking for passage of bill No. 470, A., relating to obscene pictures.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 283, A.,

Petition in favor of the bill to regulate the practice of medicine.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 284, A.,

Petition favoring passage of bill to place the Fairchild statue in the hall of representatives at Washington.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 285, A.,

Petition of A. D. Johnson and twenty-three others, of W tersmeet and State Line, relating to game laws.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 286, A.,
Petition of H. R. Furst and seventeen others, of New London,
relating to game laws.
To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 287, A.,
Petition of Geo. C. Foster and sixteen others, of Harley, re-
lating to game laws.
To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 288, A.,
Petition of Frank Bucholtz and sixty others, of Clintonville,
relating to game laws.
To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 289, A.,
Petition of J. R. Moore and twenty-six others of Iron county,
relating to game laws.
To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 290, A.,
Petition of J. A. Hudson and sixty others of Waupaca, relat-
ing to game laws.
To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 291, A.,
Petition of C. A. Hutchinson and sixty-two others of Mani-
towoc, relating to game laws.
To committee on Fish and Game.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 14, S.,

A bill to confer upon municipal corporations the power to condemn riparian rights for public purposes,

No. 35, S.,

A bill to repeal section 7, chapter 291, "relating to fees required to be paid to the state treasurer for the examination of banks."

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

To amend article No. 11 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 21, S.,

Relative to the semi-centennial of the admission of Wisconsin into the union,

Jt. Res. No. 26, S.

Suspending the rules so as to permit Senator C. B. Welton to introduce a bill declaring May 29, 1898, a legal holiday.

And has concurred in

No. 40, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money therein named, and

Jt. Res. No. 19, A.,

Permitting Mr. Andrew Jensen to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 14, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 35, S.,

Was referred to committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Jt. Res. No. 21, S.,

Was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Jt. Res. No. 26, S.,

Was concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 22, S.,

For the appointment of a committee to visit Wisconsin veterans' home and Downer college at Fox Lake,

Mr. Taylor offered an amendment, that the proposed commit-

tee consist of four from the assembly and three from the senate,
instead of three from the assembly and two from the senate.

The amendment was adopted, and

Jt. Res. No. 22, S., as amended,

Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Lange,

The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Father Knox offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Buttles, Feige, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Jensen, Klabunde, Maertz, Merrill, McDonald, Niss, Peterson, Polley, Pratt, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker and Utt—20.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Ackermann, Utt, Froehlich, Polley, McDonald, Frink, Niss, Maertz, Pratt, Connors, Barnum, Feige, Klabunde and Schellenberg for this session.

To Mr. Sieker, indefinitely.

The Journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 292, A.,

Petition of W. C. Winter and twenty others, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 293, A.,

Petition from Outagamie county, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 294, A.,

Petition of A. D. Bice and twenty-five others, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Morgan:

Pet. No. 295, A.,

Petition of John Kellogg and twenty-one others of Reedsburg, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 296, A.,

Petition of J. H. Hellweg and forty-four others, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 297, A.,

Petition of Daniel Burton and forty-two others, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 298, A.,

Petition of P. C. Endres and twenty-one others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 299, A.,

Petition of H. J. Goddard and sixteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 300, A.,

Petition of citizens of Belleville, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 301, A.,

Petition of twenty-four residents of Portage, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 302, A.,

Petition of George I. Robinson and five others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 303, A.,

Petition of Gus. Simmerling and nine others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 304, A.,

Petition of members G. A. R., of Prairie du Sac, in favor of bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Church:

Pet. No. 305, A.,

Petition of Allen Peacock and twenty-three others, in favor of bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 306, A.,

Petition of Joseph Snyder and twenty-one others, in favor of bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 307, A.,

Petition of F. T. Zetteler, Jr., and thirty-three others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 308, A.,

Petition of James E. Brett and twenty-five others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 309, A.,

Petition of Col. E. C. Townsend and forty-four others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Beach:

Pet. No. 310, A.,

Petition from E. N. Trowbridge and ninety-eight others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 311, A.,

Petition of S. B. Stevens and sixteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 312, A.,

Petition of F. A. Williams and thirty-three others, in favor of bill authorizing the statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 313, A.,

Petition of C. L. Lind and forty-five others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 314, A.,

Petition of W. C. Wegner and seventy others, for recall of Marquette statue and in favor of authorizing statues of Gen. Lucius Fairchild and Jeremiah M. Rusk.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 315, A.,

Petition of Hon. John B. Keyes and twenty-two others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 316, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Paul Gager and eighty-two others, against recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 317, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. J. C. McAteer and others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 318, A.,

Remonstrance of M. Heggins and forty others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 319, A.,

Remonstrance of John A. Selback and ninety-two others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 320, A.,

Remonstrance of citizens of Watertown, against recall of statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 321, A.,

Remonstrance of Mr. Hartel and one hundred and sixty-one others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 322, A.,

Remonstrance of Michael Nevin and one hundred others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 323, A.,

Remonstrance of Frank Kleiner and twenty-six others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 324, A.,

Remonstrance of P. J. Lochman and ninety others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 325, A.,

Remonstrance of Patrick McLaughlin and ninety-one others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 326, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Placidus Krekeler and thirty-seven others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 327, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Paul Geyer and one hundred and forty-five others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 328, A.,

Petition of Robert Bradford and forty-two others, for the passage of memorial No. 3, to move the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 329, A.,

Remonstrance of citizens of Milwaukee, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 330, A.,

Remonstrance of forty citizens of Mazomanie and Black Earth, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 331, A.,

Remonstrance of twenty-six citizens of Dane, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 332, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. P. Becker and one hundred and eight others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 333, A.,

Remonstrance of H. R. Osborn and two hundred others, favoring the passage of the cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 334, A.,

Remonstrance of J. G. Lamberson, R. H. DeLap, N. L. James and two hundred and seventeen others, against the passage of bills making persons other than attorneys ineligible as judges of courts of record and limiting the ages of judges.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 335, A.,

Remonstrance of B. F. Washburn, Ed. Dorsch, Geo. Fogo and two hundred and forty others, against the passage of bills making persons other than attorneys ineligible as judges of courts of record and limiting the ages of judges.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 336, A.,

Remonstrance of C. G. Thomas and fifty-four others, against the passage of bills making persons other than attorneys ineligible to office of judge of courts of record, and limiting the age of judges.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 337, A.,

Remonstrance of J. J. Anderson, Ira Banks, D. C. Fuller, E. E. Blakeman and eighty-six others, against the passage of bills making persons other than attorneys ineligible to office of judge of courts of record, and limiting the ages of judge.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 338, A.,

Petition of Charles C. Brown and one hundred others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 339, A.,

Petition of W. J. Webster and twenty-eight others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 340, A.,

Petition of C. H. Hurd and twenty others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 341, A.,

Petition of C. B. Curtis and twenty-six others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 342, A.,

Petition of C. M. Hall and others, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 343, A.,

Petition of eighty-eight ladies of the city of Milwaukee, in favor of the Whitehead bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 344, A.,

Petition of nineteen citizens of the city of Milwaukee, favoring passage of Whitehead bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 345, A.,

Petition of twenty-two citizens of Waukesha, favoring passage of Whitehead bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 346, A.,

Petition of one hundred and two citizens of Milwaukee, favoring passage of Whitehead bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 347, A.,

Petition of nineteen citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 348, A.,

Petition of twenty citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 349, A.,

Petition of S. D. Smith and sixty-six others, in favor of the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 350, A.,

Petition of Chas. Gensch and thirty-six others, in favor of the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 351, A.,

Petition of A. W. Niemeyer and one hundred and forty-three others, in favor of the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 352, A.,

Petition of C. A. Russell and forty others, in favor of the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 353, A.,

Petition of L. Klemenhausen and thirty-seven others, in favor of the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 354, A.,

Petition of J. T. Newton and sixty others, in favor of the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 355, A.,

Remonstrance of Ignatz Zanz and fifty-four other citizens of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens and one certain language.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 356, A.,

Petition of G. M. Northrup and forty-two others, in favor of bill for semi-annual collection of taxes.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 357, A.,

Petition of D. J. Brothers and five others, owners and managers of hotels and inns, in favor of passage of bill No. 206, A.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 358, A.,

Petition of C. H. Bissell, in favor of the passage of the bill relating to pharmacy.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 359, A.,

Remonstrance of Columbus Court, C. O. F., No. 315, of Depere, against that part of bill No. 10, S., relating to fraternal insurance organizations.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 360, A.,

Petition to support bill No. 166, A., of the repeal of the lien law.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Wolff:

Pet. No. 361, A.,

Petition of citizens of Lyndon, Sheboygan county, in favor of the passage of bill No. 235, A., to create a board of medical examiners.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 362, A.,

Petition of J. Quam and sixty-four others of Deerfield, asking for effective medical legislation.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 363, A.,

Petition of W. A. Brown and fifty-four others, in favor of passage of a law prohibiting spring shooting of ducks.

To committee on Fish and Game.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills in Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 317, A.,

A bill relating to guardians and wards,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed assembly bills,

No. 157, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to Winnebago county court,

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo valley gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county, on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section seven, in township seven, north of range four, west,

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils or petroleum and petroleum products for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 288 of the laws of 1881 and chapter 158 of the laws of 1883, and chapter 440 of the laws of 1889,

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The bills were referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 14, S.,

Relating to Torrey bankruptcy law,
Was concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 18, A.,

Requesting information from board of regents,
Was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 20, A.,

Requesting information from the board of regents.

Mr. Rosenkrans offered the following amendment:

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the regents of the University of Wisconsin are hereby required to furnish to a joint committee, consisting of three from the assembly and two from the senate, as early as possible an itemized statement showing the total product of every kind produced on the university farm. Especially the live stock, cheese butter, milk, cream, eggs, hay, grain, vegetables and garden products, together with the cost of production, disposition of and amount received therefor during the year ending December 31, 1896. Also showing the amount and cost of labor and material used in Machinery Hall, the number and kind of articles manufactured, the disposition of and the amount received therefor.

Which was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 20, A., as amended,

Was then adopted.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 1, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum," as amended by chapter 10 of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan asylum, approved March 24th, 1852,"

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurers,

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county,

No. 261, A.

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 299, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 302, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act relating to forms for and statements of licensed insurance companies and amendatory of section 1971 of the revised statutes," of insurance corporations,"

Was ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 50, A.

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

Was, on motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

Made a special order of business for to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

No. 25, A.,

A bill to legalize election districts in certain cases,

Was, on motion of Mr. Bullard,

Re-committed to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers,"

Was, on motion of Mr. Davidson,

Re-committed to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

Mem. to Congress No. 4, A.,

For the passage of H. R. bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks in the United States railway mail service,

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203, laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorneys,"

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies,

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk,

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 51, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 154, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to the destruction of noxious weeds and amendment of chapter 145 of the laws of 1893,"

No. 191, A.,

A bill to amend section 4771 of chapter 194 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to security for costs in criminal cases in justices' courts,

No. 204, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 52, section 1304, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to appeals,

No. 234, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, and chapter 296, of the laws of 1885, and chapter 286, of the laws of 1893, relating to the excise and sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 277, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to provide for the sale and use of anti-toxine diphtheretic serum,

No. 396, A.,

A bill relating to the obstruction of creeks, rivulets and small streams by overgrowth or by neglect of owner of land adjoining such streams, by the fall of timber or accumulation of deposit from other sources,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private insane asylums,

Mr. Wheeler moved to have this bill recommitted to the committee on Judiciary.

The motion was lost.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 48, A.,

Was then adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Agriculture, to No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to appealable orders,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Overbeck offered the following amendment, to

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways,

Amend the fifth sub-division of section 1 by inserting in line twenty-five, after the word "bridge," "except toll bridge," so that when amended sub-division 5, of section 1, shall read as follows:

5th. When the person or persons in charge of said engine shall fail to span any bridge (except toll bridge) or culvert, before crossing the same, with planks at least two inches thick, twelve inches wide and sixteen feet in length, over which the wheels shall pass in crossing such bridge or culvert,

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Ray

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred:

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 2, A.,

Memorial to congress requesting the passage of senate bill 3058 now pending in congress,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 148, A.,

A bill granting ferry privileges to P. N. Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years,

No. 104, A.,

A bill granting to Oliver G. Howard the right to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin, from Stockholm, Wis., to Lake City, Minn., and repealing chapter 468 of the laws 1891,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

O. L. ROSENKRANS,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 479, A.,

A bill to amend section 2577 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin in relation to legal holidays,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as "Arbor Day,"

No. 418, A.,

A bill to prohibit certain persons from acting as assessors,

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

With recommendation that they do pass.

No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, of laws of 1895, relating to condemnation of toll roads,

No. 124, A.,

A bill authorizing the purchase of Ira A. Ridgway's painting of old Fort Winnebago,

With amendments, and recommend their passage when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendment to No. 134, A.,

Amend section 1, by striking out the words "two hundred" where they occur in the second line of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred."

Amendment to No. 349, A.,

Amend section 1 by striking out the words "all damages and may be allowed" where they occur in the seventh line of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the purchase price of, or the damages which may be awarded."

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 556, A.,

A bill relating to the re-assessment of special taxes in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 50 of the revised statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

So referred.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 60, S.,

A bill to amend section 1346a, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to sidewalks in towns,

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county,

No. 114, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 303, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide clerks of county courts,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be concurred in.

No. 485, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Hixon in Clark county, and create the town of Dewhurst,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state,

With the recommendation that the same be referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

So referred.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 293, A.,

A bill to appropriate to J. M. Thompson and Lovell & Co., of Waupun, Wis., to each a certain sum of money,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 171, A.,

A bill to lessen the expense of trial and examinations in criminal cases, and to amend section 751 of the revised statutes,

No. 225, A.,

A bill to amend section 3759 of chapter 160, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of appeals,"

No. 239, A.,

A bill to amend section 4680, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Change of venue in criminal cases,"

No. 283, A.,

A bill to protect the payment of labor employed on public contract or improvement,

No. 291, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 297, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 3, of chapter 181, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to revise, codify and amend chapter 57, of the laws of 1874, entitled, 'An act to incorporate the city of Columbus, and the several acts amendatory thereof.'"

No. 300, A.,

A bill to amend section 2600 of the revised statutes, entitled, "But one form of action,"

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Messrs. Bullard, Wipperman and Latta dissenting from such recommendation as to bill No. 376, A.

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective,

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence,

With the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 37, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 658, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued,

With amendments in the form of a substitute bill, with the recommendation that such substitute bill do pass in the stead of the original bill.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 28, S.,

Granting leave to Senator Whitehead to introduce a local bill.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 65, S.,

A bill to authorize the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes to employ a clerk and a stenographer and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 105, S.,

A bill to cede certain lands in Calumet county, Wisconsin, to the United States,

No. 150, S.,

A bill to set aside certain state land to the Wisconsin Military Reservation,

No. 181, S.,

A bill relating to malicious civil or criminal action against members of the Wisconsin national guard,

No. 316, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Chas. F. Krebs, a police justice and justice of the peace within and for the city of Jefferson, Jefferson county.

No. 143, S.,

A bill to provide for an increase of income of normal schools.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 29, S.,

Permitting Senator Mailer to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 28, S., and Jt. Res. No. 29, S.,

Were concurred in.

No. 65, S.,

Was referred to committee on Legislative Expenditures.

No 105, S.,

Was referred to committee on Federal Relations.

No. 50, S.,

Was referred to committee on Military Affairs.

Nos. 181, and 316, S.,

Were referred to committee on Judiciary.

No. 143, S.,

Was referred to committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Fogo,

The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24,⁵1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Father Knox offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clason, Flagg, Flett, Hurlbut, Maertz, Minch, Sether, Sieker, Taylor and Utt—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Hurlbut, Clason, Flagg, Minch, Maertz and Taylor for this session.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

24—A. J.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 364, A.,

Petition of Ashley Turner and thirty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 365, A.,

Petition of Alex Bailey and thirty-three others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 366, A.,

Petition of J. W. Lewis and twenty-one others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Barnum:

Pet. No. 367, A.,

Petition of one hundred and thirty-five citizens, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 368, A.,

Petition of J. B. Whiting and forty-eight others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 369, A.,

Petition of Frank H. Hatch and fifty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 370, A.,

Petition in favor of bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 371, A.,

Petition of J. G. Bunell and others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 372, A.,

Petition of Henry Dillon post, No. 24, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Beach:

Pet. No. 373, A.,

Petition of G. Shipman and twenty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 374, A.,

Petition of Edward Hannon and fourteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hughes:

Pet. No. 375, A.,

Petition of Fred M. Hawley and twenty-one others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 376, A.,

Petition of Helge Olson and one hundred and twelve others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 377, A.,

Petition of W. V. Tichenor and others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 378, A.,

Petition of A. C. Sherwood and eighty-three others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 379, A.,

Petition of Wm. F. Fisher and forty-five others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Merrill:

Pet. No. 380, A.,

Petition of Chas. Felt and thirty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 381, A.,

Petition in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 382, A.,

Petition of Cyrus A. Allen and twenty-two others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 383, A.,

Petition of C. N. Ralph and sixteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 384, A.,

Petition of E. L. Grant and forty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 385, A.,

Petition of James Comford, G. A. R. Post, No. 68, Chippewa Falls, in favor of the bill authorizing statues of Gen. J. M. Rusk and Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Barnum:

Pet. No. 386, A.,

Petition of one hundred and forty citizens of Wausau, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 387, A.,

Remonstrance of residents of the towns of Forest and Taycheedah, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 388, A.,

Remonstrance of Joseph Kronsoble and 53 others from Black Creek, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 389, A.,

Remonstrance of one hundred and fifty-two citizens, of Dunn county, against the passage of memorial to congress No. 3, A., requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to the state and placed in the rooms of the state historical society.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 390, A.,

Regarding the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkranz:

Pet. No. 391, A.,

Remonstrance of one hundred and twenty-three signers, against the passage of the memorial requesting the return from Washington of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 392, A.,

Remonstrance from T. J. Delles and forty others, against removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Peterson:

Pet. No. 393, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. E. P. Lorigan and twenty-two others, against the removal of Pere Marquette statue from the old hall of the house of representatives.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 394, A.,

Remonstrance of residents of North Greenfield, against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 395, A.,

Remonstrance of James Conklin and one hundred and nine others, protesting against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 396, A.,

Remonstrance against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue, signed by A. U. Gara and one hundred and nineteen others.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 397, A.,

Remonstrance from Rev. Joseph Bashan and fifty-eight others, against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 398, A.,

Remonstrance from Rev. J. M. Wicker and seventy-six others, against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 399, A.,

Remonstrance from M. Oberlinkee and sixty-four others, against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 400, A.,

Petition of E. J. Labunvi and three hundred others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., to prevent the adulteration of beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 401, A.,

Petition of H. Marshal and two hundred and twenty others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., to prevent the adulteration of beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 402, A.,

Petition of Charles Baker and twenty-four others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "Pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 403, A.,

Petition of G. W. Smith and sixty-six others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "Pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 404, A.,

Petition of G. Burke and eighteen others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 405, A.,

Petition of J. W. Miller and thirty-eight others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 406, A.,

Petition of I. J. Edwards and one hundred and nine others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 407, A.,

Petition of R. B. Crothers and thirteen others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 408, A.,

Petition of the county board of Dodge county, signed by every supervisor, for the passage of bill No. 294, A., to prevent the adulteration of beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 409, A.,

Petition of Leo Alesch and seventy-five others, asking for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster "pure beer bill."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 410, A.,

Petition in favor of the bicycle baggage bill, forty-six names.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Stone:

Pet. No. 411, A.,

Petition of L. H. Hoard and fifty-six others, for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 412, A.,

Petition of one hundred and twenty-six citizens and voters from Oshkosh, Wis., in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 413, A.,

Remonstrance of Martin Krajevski and thirty-five other citizens of the twelfth ward of the city of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens and tax payers, and against one certain language.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 414, A.,

Remonstrance of John Muza and twenty others citizens of the fifth ward of the city of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain language and one certain class of citizens and tax payers.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 415, A.,

Remonstrance of F. X. Choinski and twenty-four other citizens and tax payers of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 416, A.,

Remonstrance of K. Fennig and eleven other citizens and tax payers of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 417, A.,

Remonstrance of Thomas Kowalski and seventy-seven other citizens and tax-payers of the 14th and 17th wards of the city of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin;

Pet. No. 418, A.,

Remonstrance of A. Kleczka and twenty-three other citizens and tax-payers of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 419, A.,

Remonstrance of S. Sebilski and ten other citizens and taxpayers, of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 420, A.,

Remonstrance of J. Trompwezynski and twenty-three other citizens and tax payers, of the 13th ward of the city of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens and one certain language.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 421, A.,

Remonstrance of Albert Kraniah and nineteen others citizens and tax-payers of the 13th ward of the city of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain language.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 422, A.,

Remonstrance of John Weiher and nineteen other citizens and tax-payers of the 18th ward of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 423, A.,

Remonstrance of John Radomski and forty other citizens and tax-payers of the 12th ward of the city of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 424, A.,

Petition of Peter Ziegler and thirty-three others, asking the passage of laws taxing mortgages and a law describing the ingredients to be used in the manufacture of pure beer and liquor.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 425, A.,

Petition of J. A. Carswell and others, favoring passage of bill to change boundary line, of certain towns in Richland county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 426, A.,

Petition of Dr. E. J. Buck and others, favoring passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 427, A.,

Petition of Electrical Workers Union No. 2, of Milwaukee, favoring passage of medical bill No. 235, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 428, A.,

Petition of H. D. Fuller and eighty-seven others, asking for passage of the law regulating the practice of surgery and medicine.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 429, A.,

Petition of George A. Blakely and fifty others, praying for the enactment of an effective law to protect the people against the unscientific medical practice.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. No. 430, A.,

Petition of John Kroeten and three hundred and six others, of Sheboygan, asking for the passage of bill No. 119, S., relating to convict labor.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Buttles:

Pet. No. 431, A.,

Remonstrance of A. O. Black and fifty others, against bill No. 200, A., relating to municipal court in and for the county of LaCrosse.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 432, A.,

Petition signed by residents of Chase, Oconto county, protesting in regard to certain sections of the game law.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 433, A.,

Remonstrance of Henry Backman and forty-four others, against the passage of bill No. 267, A., relating to villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Hogan:

Pet. No. 434, A.,

Remonstrance of Columbus court, C. O. F., No. 315, of De Pere, against that part of bill No. 10, S., relating to fraternal insurance organizations.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hogan:

Pet. No. 435, A.,

Remonstrance of branch C.K. of W. of De Pere, against that part of bill No. 10, S., relating to fraternal insurance organizations.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 436, A.,

Remonstrance of two hundred and eighty-seven out of three hundred and fifty voters of the town of Marshfield, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. Anson,

Two hundred additional copies of bill No. 223, A.,

Were ordered to be printed.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Jt. Res. No. 21, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Assemblyman Hoyt be allowed the privilege to introduce a bill to authorize and direct the state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewage of the Menominee and Kinnickinnic valleys in the county of Milwaukee.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Jensen:

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways, and amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'an act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885, entitled an act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, in relation to highways and bridges.'"

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correct assembly bills:

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies,

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorney,"

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes, as amended by sub-division 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin relating to appealable orders,

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "an act relating to the organization of corporations for the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, asylums or institutions for the care, treatment or relief of insane or feeble-minded persons, and amendatory of chapter 86 of the revised statutes entitled, 'of the organization of corporations.' "

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom were referred:

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value, in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455, of chapter 114, of revised statutes of 1878,

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of a work house by any one, two or more counties within the state in which to confine certain offenders at hard labor, and prescribing and regulating the punishment of certain offenders,

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers,

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, revised statutes, relating to garnishee proceedings in justice courts,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county,

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to the commitment, care and custody of epileptics, feeble-minded, and idiots to the Wisconsin home for the feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed,

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds towards the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct,

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to duties and powers of superintendent of work house,

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted.

The committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and find correctly enrolled:

M. C. No. 1, A.,

Memorial to congress for certain amendments to the act authorizing the construction of a steel bridge over the St. Louis river between the state of Wisconsin and Minnesota,

No. 40, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money therein named.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in the assembly amendment, to

Jt. Res. No. 22, S.,

For the appointment of a committee to visit Wisconsin veterans' home and Downer college, at Fox Lake.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 30, S.,

Allowing Senator Baxter to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 30, S.,
Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county,"

No. 317, A.,

A bill relating to guardians and wards,
Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 299, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 302, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act relating to forms for and statements of licensed insurance companies and amendatory of section 1971 of the revised statutes," of insurance corporations,

Mr. Frink offered an amendment as follows:

Amend by striking out the word "a" in lines 4 and 20 of the printed bill, and substitute in place thereof the word "one."

On a division of the house,

The amendment was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to amend section 1364a, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to sidewalks in towns,

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878 relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county,

No. 114, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 303, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide clerks of county courts,"

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective,

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Shkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day,"

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

Memorial to Congress, No. 2, A.,

Requesting consideration and passage of bill No. 3058, United States senate, now pending in congress,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 104, A.,

A bill granting to Oliver G. Howard the right to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin, from Stockholm, Wis., to Lake City, Minn., and repealing chapter 468 of the laws 1891.

No. 148, A.

A bill granting ferry privileges to P. N. Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years,

No. 171, A.,

A bill to lessen the expense of trial and examinations in criminal cases, and to amend section 751 of the revised statutes,

No. 225, A.,

A bill to amend section 3759 of chapter 160, Sanborn & Ber-
ryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of appeals,"

No. 239, A.,

A bill to amend section 4680, of the revised statutes, entitled
"Change of venue in criminal cases,"

No. 283, A.,

A bill to protect the payment of labor employed on public
contract or improvements,

No. 291, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the
town laws of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 297, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 3, of chapter 181, of the
laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to revise, codify and amend
chapter 57, of the laws of 1874, entitled, 'An act to incorpo-
rate the city of Columbus, and the several acts amendatory
thereof,' "

No. 300, A.,

A bill to amend section 2600 of the revised statutes, entitled,
"But one form of action,"

No. 479, A.,

A bill to amend section 2577 of the revised statutes of Wis-
consin, in relation to legal holidays,

No. 485, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Hixon, in
Clark county, and create the town of Dewhurst,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 124, A.,

A bill authorizing the purchase of Ira A. Ridgway's painting
of Old Fort Winnebago,

With amendments,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The amendments offered by the committee on State Affairs, to
No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, of laws of 1895, re-
lating to condemnation of toll roads,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant
county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the
same prima facie evidence,

Was, on motion of Mr. McDonald,

Re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 418, A.,

A bill to prohibit certain persons from acting as assessors.

Was on motion of Mr. Stone,

Re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 293, A.,

A bill to appropriate to J. M. Thompson and Lovell & Co., of Waupun, Wis., to each a certain sum of money,

Was, on motion of Mr. Webster,

Re-referred to the committee on Claims.

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of the state,

Was, on motion of Mr. True,

Re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

The question being upon the indefinite postponement of the bill,

Mr. Wolter offered an amendment in form of a substitute.

Mr. McGrath moved that the bill, with substitute amendment,

Be re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Mosher moved that the assembly take a recess of five minutes.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Peterson moved that the assembly take a recess until 8 o'clock tonight.

The motion was lost.

The question being put upon the motion of Mr. McGrath,

The motion was lost.

Mr. Hoyt moved that the amendment in form of a substitute offered by Mr. Wolter,

Be laid upon the table.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

Mr. Hall offered an amendment to the amendment, reducing the appropriation to \$4,000,

Which was not adopted.

The question being put upon the amendment in form of substitute offered by Mr. Wolter,

The amendment was not adopted.

The question being upon the adoption of the majority report of the committee on Claims, and

The ayes and noes being demanded, the assembly refused to indefinitely postpone: Ayes, 39; noes, 49; absent or not voting, 12.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Buffington, Buttles, Church, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stone, Thomas, Treat, Tucker and Mr. Speaker—39.

Noes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hogan, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Reinnoldt, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Thompson, True, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—49.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Flagg, Flett, Hindes, Maertz, Minch, Plummer, Reynolds, Sether, Sieker, Taylor and Utt—12.

The bill was then ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Mosher,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock to-night.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P M

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

Pursuant to Jt. Res. No. 22, S.,

The speaker appointed the following members to represent the assembly on the committee:

Messrs. Pierce, McGrath, Anson and Webster.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman

The above bill was referred to committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 444, A.,

A bill for the relief of R. S. Houston and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 101, A.,

A bill to prohibit the leaving open of wells and cisterns in cities and villages,

No. 363, A.,

A bill to simplify the civil service systems in cities and define the duties of boards of city service commissioners,

No. 549, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 574, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture,

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin.

With the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls, with amendments in the form of a substitute and recommend its passage when so amended.

B. A. EATON,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 126, and 123, A., were referred to the committee on Claims.

Bill No. 378, A., was,

On motion of Mr. True,

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Adding section to constitution providing for board of pardons,

Jt. Res. No. 21, S.,

Relating to semi-centennial of the admission of Wisconsin into the union,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be concurred in.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 512, A.,

A bill to amend section 655 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the removal of county seats,

No. 576, A.,

A bill to change the boundary line between Pierce and St. Croix counties in the state of Wisconsin so as to bring the first ward of the city of River Falls into Pierce county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 441, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with ^{the} recommendation that it do pass.

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from 16 to 25 years,

With amendments, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The amendments are as follows:

Add the words "provided that no person convicted of murder in the first, second or third degree shall be sentenced to said reformatory."

In section 7 of said bill, omit all words after the word "list" in line 7, down to and including the word "officers" in line 13, and insert in place of said words the following: "of such first grade convicts as are reported by the general superintendent, and in the judgment of the board of control, are fit to be at large, whereupon the governor in his discretion may make such order in each case as in his judgment is proper and right, which order, directing the parole, discharge or pardon of any inmate or inmates, if such it be, shall be promptly carried out by the reformatory officers. When it appears to said board that there is a strong or reasonable probability that any prisoner will live and remain at liberty without violating the law, and that his release is not incompatible with the welfare of society, then they shall report him to the governor, who may issue to such prisoner an absolute release from imprisonment. But no petition or other form of application for the release of any prisoner shall be entertained by the board. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect the power of the governor to grant a pardon or commutation in any case."

From section 11 of said bill omit all words from and including the word "when" in line 16 to the final word "case" in line 22.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The bill and proposed amendment was referred to committee on Claims.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:
No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river in Barron county, Wis.,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass,

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 46, A.,

A bill amending chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Gaslight company,"

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, relating to the Milwaukee Gaslight company,

No. 539, A.,

A bill to amend section 1862 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, authorizing street railway corporations to condemn land,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY.
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court in the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

Joint resolution for a constitutional amendment, relating to circuit courts,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 69, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 207, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to confer limited particular rights upon a certain class of towns,"

No. 187, A.,

A bill to construe chapter 292 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1883, entitled, "An act relating to the powers of towns and town boards containing incorporated villages," and to ratify and legalize certain acts and proceedings thereunder,

No. 188, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of the town of Iron River in Bayfield county, and of its board of supervisors, in the purchase of the corporate rights and franchise, including all mains, pipes, machinery, buildings, lands, easements, property real and personal, constituting The Iron River Water, Light and Power Company's system of water works, located in the village of Iron River, and to legalize the bonds of said town issued in part consideration of said purchase,

No. 207, A.,

A bill to better protect cities, towns and counties and pertaining to the duties of judges, justices of the peace and clerks of the courts,

No. 224, A.,

A bill relating to the stay of execution on judgments of justices of the peace in proceedings by certiorari, and relating to the trial of such proceedings,

No. 301, A.,

A bill to limit the time for the commencement of actions or proceedings for the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate, and provide for the extinguishment of mortgage liens in case no such actions or proceedings are commenced within the time so limited,

No. 314, A.,

A bill to prescribe qualifications for judges of courts of record,

No. 323, A.,

A bill to detach the county of Polk from the eleventh judicial circuit and attach it to the eighth judicial circuit,

No. 426, A.,

A bill regulating who shall be eligible to the election or appointment to the office of county judge,

With the recommendation the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 31, S.,

Allowing Senator Mills to introduce a bill in relation to corporations, and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Relating to fire and life insurance companies doing business in this state.

And has concurred in

No. 43, A.

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Wisconsin.

And has passed and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 9, S.,

A bill relating to general elections and amendatory of section 40, chapter 288, laws of 1893,

No. 12, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 197 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 13, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, northeasterly from the eastern line of section 21, to the northerly line of section 15, in the 18th ward of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 22, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner in which inmates in the several penal, reformatory and charitable state institutions may be removed from one of these institutions to another,

No. 48, S.,

A bill fixing the amount of money to be kept on hand in the treasury of cities of the first class,

No. 91, S.,

A bill to amend section 4, chapter 6, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 101, S.,

A bill to amend section 1733, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, entitled, "Inspectors' offices, where to be,"

No. 116, S.,

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."

No. 130, S.,

A bill to amend section 1195, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Timber on land sold counties not to be cut."

No. 145, S.,

A bill to regulate the location of all public institutions in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 165, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to joint school district number one of the city of Black River Falls and the town of Albion, in Jackson county,

No. 172, S.,

A bill relating to auctions and auctioneers, and amendatory of section 1590, of chapter 68, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 193, S.,

A bill to authorize the dismissal of pending suits and proceedings for want of prosecution,

No. 333, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 202 of laws of 1882, being section 2894, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to entry of judgments and taxation of costs.

And has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 299, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 302, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act relating to forms for and statements of licensed insurance companies and amendatory of section 1971 of the revised statutes," of insurance corporations.

And requests the return of

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall company, located at Big Bend, Waukesha county, Wisconsin.

The bill was ordered returned to the senate.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 31, S.,

Was concurred in.

Bills Nos. 12, 13, 91, 193 and 333, S.,

Were referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Bills Nos. 9, and 116, S.,

Were referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

Bill No. 48, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Cities.

Bill No. 101, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Lumber and Mining.

Bill No. 130, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Town and County Organization.

Bills Nos. 145, 165, and 172, S.,

Were referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Peterson

The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Father Knox offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Flett, Hindes, Maertz, McDonald, Plummer, Sether, Sieker, Taylor, Utt and Welch—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. McDonald, Hindes and Maertz for this session.

To Mr. Welch until next Monday.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 437, A.,

Petition of Chas. Gorst and eight other physicians of Baraboo, in favor of medical bill No. 235, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 438, A.,

Petition for protection of black bass in Green Lake.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 439, A.,

Petition of citizens of Hartland, for passage of bill No. 267, A., relating to villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. 440, A.,

Petition of Willis R. Chappell and others, favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 441, A.,

Remonstrance of Ralph W. Cheever and sixty-seven others, of Rock county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Feige:

Pet. No. 442, A.,

Remonstrance of Anton Smigelski and thirty-four others, citizens of the 11th ward of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Gawin:

Pet. No. 443, A.,

Remonstrance of Andrew Bronkata and twenty-three other

citizens and tax payers of Milwaukee, against the passage of bill No. 493, A., discriminating against one certain class of citizens.
To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 444, A.,

Petition of J. B. Burman and seventy-five others, praying for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as the Webster pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 445, A.,

Petition of August Plamann and forty-five others, for the passage of bill No. 294, A., known as Webster pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 446, A.,

Petition of N. B. Pomeroy and thirty-one others, asking for passage of bill No. 294, A., in favor of manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 447, A.,

Petition of James Duffy and one hundred and forty-four others, asking for passage of bill No. 294, A., relating to manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 448, A.,

Petition of F. Witte and fifty-three others, asking for passage of bill No. 294, A., in favor of manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 449, A.,

Petition of Carl Porter and seventy-six others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 294, A., relating to the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 450, A.,

Petition of William Cullen and ninety others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 294, A., relating to the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 451, A.,

Petition of A. O. Sell and twenty-six others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 294, A., relating to the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 452, A.,

Petition of E. J. Gamble and seventy others, in favor of passage of bill No. 294, A., relating to the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 453, A.,

Remonstrance of John Korfmacher and twenty-eight others, against passage of bill No. 245, S., relating to drainage commission.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 454, A.,

Petition of Neils Johnson and thirty-three others, for the repeal of chapter 383 of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act to provide for drainage and reclamation of certain lands in Dane county."

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 455, A.,

Remonstrance of Neils Johnson and thirty-three others, against the passage of bill No. 245, S., entitled, "A bill relating to drainage corporations."

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 456, A.,

Petition of Jacob Nelson and fifty others, in favor of the re-

peal of chapter 383, laws of 1889, relating to the drainage commission.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 457, A.,

Petition of John Korfmacher and twenty-eight others, for repeal of chapter 383, laws of 1889, relating to the drainage commission.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Sweeting: (By request.)

Pet. No. 458, A.,

Remonstrance of J. O'Laughlin and forty-five others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sweeting: (By request.)

Pet. No. 459, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Joseph Hemmer and forty-four others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 460, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. P. Schwaiger and seventy others, against the passage of resolution for the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Legried.

Pet. No. 461, A.

Remonstrance of Jacob Nelson, against passage of bill No. 245. S., relating to drainage commission.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

COMMUNICATION TO THE LEGISLATURE.

To the Honorable Legislature of Wisconsin, in Senate and Assembly:

In compliance with Joint Resolution No. 9, S. we herewith present to your honorable bodies, statement containing the number of professors, assistant professors, instructors, and all other people employed by the university, together with the salaries of each professor and employee.

Also the number of students receiving instruction from each professor, the number of recitations each hears and hours of instruction given together with the total receipts and expenditures of the university, item by item and for what purpose, for the year ended December 30, 1897.

The date taken is that of joint resolution of the legislature, viz., January 28th, 1897.

By order of the board of regents of the university of Wisconsin,

E. F. RILEY,
Secretary.

February 23rd, 1897.

The following list gives "number of professors, assistant professors and instructors," together with the salary being received by each:

IN THE COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE.

J. B. Parkinson, professor.....	\$2,500 00
E. A. Birge, professor and dean.....	3,500 00
Richard T. Ely, professor and director.....	3,500 00
Chas. F. Smith, professor.....	3,000 00
C. R. Barnes, professor.....	2,500 00
W. W. Daniels, professor.....	2,500 00
D. B. Frankenburger, professor.....	2,500 00
J. O. Freeman, professor.....	2,500 00
W. H. Rosenstengel, professor.....	2,500 00
J. W. Stearns, professor.....	2,500 00
F. J. Turner, professor.....	2,500 00
C. R. Van Hise, professor.....	2,500 00
C. H. Haskins, professor.....	2,500 00
Benj. W. Snow, professor.....	2,500 00
W. A. Scott, associate professor.....	2,500 00
F. A. Parker, professor and director.....	2,200 00

C. A. Van Velzer, professor.....	\$2,200 00
Jos. Jastrow, professor.....	2,200 00
W. H. Williams, professor.....	2,000 00
C. S. Slichter, professor.....	2,000 00
J. E. Olson, professor.....	2,000 00
M. S. Slaughter, professor.....	2,000 00
F. G. Hubbard, associate professor.....	1,800 00
W. H. Hobbs, assistant professor.....	1,700 00
Edw. T. Owen, two-thirds professor.....	1,666 66
H. W. Hillyer, assistant professor.....	1,500 00
A. A. Knowlton, assistant professor.....	1,500 00
H. A. Sober, assistant professor.....	1,500 00
W. S. Miller, assistant professor.....	1,500 00
J. C. Elsom, professor and director.....	1,500 00
E. B. Skinner, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
Victor Coffin, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
Ernst N. Voss, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
W. F. Giese, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
A. G. Laird, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
L. W. Austin, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
W. S. Marshall, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
F. C. Sharp, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
L. Kahlenberg, instructor.....	1,200 00
Susan A. Sterling, instructor.....	1,200 00
Lucy M. Gay, instructor.....	1,200 00
Alexander Kerr, professor.....	1,000 00
O. G. Libby, instructor.....	1,000 00
W. B. Cairns, instructor.....	1,000 00
E. S. Ferry, instructor.....	1,000 00
W. G. Caskey, instructor.....	1,000 00
J. F. A. Pyre, instructor.....	1,000 00
Oscar Rohn, instructor.....	1,000 00
Harriet T. Remington, instructor.....	1,000 00
Sara E. Boudren, instructor.....	1,000 00
Mary C. Bright, preceptress of ladies' hall.....	1,000 00
S. W. Dowling, instructor.....	800 00
Jessie Griffith, instructor.....	800 00
F. T. Kelly, instructor.....	800 00
Edwin D. Jones, instructor.....	800 00
J. M. Howie, assistant.....	600 00
W. D. Frost, assistant.....	600 00
W. W. Wilder, assistant.....	500 00
C. M. Smith, assistant.....	500 00
A. R. Seymour, assistant.....	500 00
Katherine Allen, assistant.....	500 00
S. E. Sparling, assistant.....	500 00
H. D. Sleeper, instructor.....	400 00
Myron E. Baker, fellow.....	400 00
E. R. Buckley, fellow.....	400 00
C. H. Bunting, fellow.....	400 00
A. H. Ford, fellow.....	400 00
B. H. Meyer, fellow.....	400 00
J. O. Quantz, fellow.....	400 00
Theo. Running, fellow.....	400 00
Chas. H. Shannon, fellow.....	400 00
Grant Showerman, fellow.....	400 00
Chas. T. Wentworth, fellow.....	400 00
T. A. Lincoln, assistant.....	300 00
V. H. Bassett, assistant.....	300 00
B. E. Fernow, lecturer.....	200 00
J. E. Davies, professor (1/2).....	1,000 00

NUMBER.

Professors	24
Associate professors.....	2
Assistant professors.....	13
Instructors	16
Assistants	9
Fellows	10
Prin. Ladies' Hall.....	1
Lecturers	1
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Total	76

IN THE COLLEGE OF MECHANICS AND ENGINEERING.

J. E. Davies, professor ($\frac{1}{2}$).....	\$1,000 00
N. O. Whitney, professor.....	2,500 00
D. C. Jackson, professor.....	2,500 00
Storm Bull, professor.....	2,500 00
C. I. King, professor.....	2,000 00
F. E. Turneure, professor.....	2,000 00
F. R. Jones, professor.....	2,000 00
E. R. Maurer, assistant professor.....	1,600 00
A. W. Richter, assistant professor.....	1,600 00
S. B. Fortenbaugh, assistant professor.....	1,500 00
L. S. Smith, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
Jno. G. D. Mack, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
W. G. Lottes, instructor.....	850 00
F. I. Hartwell, instructor.....	800 00
C. F. Burgess, assistant.....	800 00
Budd D. Frankenfield, assistant.....	300 00
M. J. Bonn, instructor (five months).....	250 00

NUMBER.

Professors	7
Assistant professors.....	5
Instructors	3
Assistants	2
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Total	17

IN THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE AND EXPERIMENT STATION.

W. A. Henry, professor, dean and director.....	\$4,000 00
S. M. Babcock, professor.....	2,500 00
E. S. Goff, professor.....	2,200 00
F. H. King, professor.....	2,200 00
H. L. Russell, professor.....	2,200 00
E. H. Farrington, associate professor.....	2,000 00
F. W. Woll, assistant professor.....	1,800 00
John A. Craig, professor.....	1,700 00
John W. Decker, instructor.....	900 00
R. A. Moore, assistant.....	720 00

DAIRY SCHOOL AND SHORT COURSE INSTRUCTORS (for three months).

J. P. Laws, in veterinary science.....	\$200 00
J. W. Stevenson, in judging stock.....	125 00
A. P. Jones, in agricultural physics.....	100 00
W. C. Wells, in butter working.....	120 00
H. L. Shockley, in farm dairying.....	100 00
Chas. Bush, at separator.....	100 00
C. S. Bullard, at separator.....	100 00
U. S. Baer, in cheese making.....	100 00
Julius Berg, in cheese making.....	100 00

NUMBER.

Professors	6
Associate professors.....	1
Assistant professors.....	1
Instructors	10
Assistants	1
Total	19

OBSERVATORY.

Geo. C. Comstock, professor and director.....	\$3,000 00
A. S. Flint, assistant.....	1,540 00

NUMBER.

Professors	1
Assistants	1
Total	2

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY.

Edward Kremers, professor.....	\$2,000 00
L. S. Cheney, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
R. H. True, assistant professor.....	1,400 00
R. Fischer, instructor.....	1,000 00
O. Schreiner, assistant.....	400 00
L. Kahlenberg, lecturer.....	200 00

NUMBER.

Professors	1
Assistant professors.....	2
Instructors	1
Assistants	1
Lecturers	1
Total	6

IN THE COLLEGE OF LAW.

E. E. Bryant, professor and dean.....	\$3,500 00
Chas. N. Gregory, professor.....	2,400 00
W. L. Drew, assistant professor.....	1,500 00
J. H. Carpenter, professor, \$12 per lecture.....	} 4,700 00
J. B. Cassoday, professor, \$12 per lecture.....	
Burr W. Jones, professor, \$12 per lecture.....	
R. M. Bashford, professor, \$12 per lecture.....	
John M. Olin, professor, \$12 per lecture.....	

NUMBER.

Professors	7
Assistant professors.....	1
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Total	8

IN THE GENERAL LIBRARY.

Walter M. Smith, librarian.....	\$1,400 00
W. H. Dudley, assistant librarian.....	1,000 00
J. C. Hanson, head cataloguer.....	1,000 00
Hester Coddington, cataloguer.....	600 00

NUMBER.

Librarian	1
Assistant librarian.....	1
Head cataloguer.....	1
Cataloguer	1
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Total	4

IN THE AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTES.

Geo. McKerrow, superintendent.....	\$2,200 00
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IN THE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION.

Jerome H. Raymond, professor and secretary.....	\$2,500 00
Paul S. Reinsch, instructor.....	1,000 00

NUMBER.

Professors	1
Instructors	1
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Total	2

The above does not include administration:

C. K. Adams, president, house and.....	\$6,500 00
C. K. Adams, president, house expenses agreed.....	500 00
	————— \$7,000 00
J. B. Parkinson, as vice president.....	500 00
E. F. Riley, secretary of the Board of Regents.....	2,750 00

JANITORS AND WATCHMEN.

NAME.	PLACE OF SERVICE.	RATE PER			
		Hour.	Day.	Month.	Year.
P. K. Walsh.....	Law building.....				\$600 00
J. M. Ashby.....	Ladies' hall.....				600 00
J. H. Rider.....	Science hall.....				600 00
John Conohan, Sr.....	Machine Shop.....				600 00
Willis Morse.....	University Hall.....				540 00
Sanders Thompson.....	Chemical laboratory.....				540 00
John Hickey.....	Armory and gymnasium.....				540 00
Henry Schofield.....	North hall.....				540 00
Mike Nolan.....	Night watch.....				540 00
T. C. Hoe.....	Library hall.....				480 00
John Doescher.....	Washburn observatory.....				480 00
Pierce Purcell.....	Armory and gymnasium.....			\$35 00	
E. S. Warner.....	Elevator at ladies' hall.....		\$1 50		
H. W. Ball.....	Elevator at ladies' hall.....		1 50		
James Murtha.....	Night watch, ladies' hall.....		1 50		

Students who are working their way, or helping themselves by work to pay expenses through the university, are employed, where their work can be used to advantage, at rates ranging from 15 cents to 25 cents per hour. Some students act as janitors, or take care of apparatus, or work in the machine shops in the manufacture of apparatus, or in the care of laboratories.

OTHER EMPLOYEES.

NAME.	SERVICE.	RATE PER			
		Hour.	Day.	Month.	Year.
W. D. Hiestand.....	Registrar, president's office.....				\$1,600
Fannie G. Sanford.....	Stenographer, president's office.....				600
Leslie Bird.....	Head clerk, regent's office.....				1,000
August Stock.....	Accountant.....			\$55 00	
Mary Otto.....	Stenographer, regent's office.....			20 00	
E. J. Conohan.....	Tool room boy, machine shop.....			12 00	
Tom. Ellis.....	Engineer, central Plant.....			65 00	
J. E. McCarthy.....	Engineer, central plant.....			55 00	
John Johnson.....	Fireman, central plant.....			40 00	
W. Walker.....	Fireman, central plant.....			40 00	
Mary A. Glenn.....	Stenographer univ. exten. office.....			65 00	
G. Schmeltzer.....	Laborer.....			45 00	
John Boltz.....	Teamster.....			40 00	
T. L. Snyder.....	Record and index w'rk as needed, regent's office.....	30c			
Mary Pickarts.....	Clerk, ladies' gymnasium.....	20c			
Violet Slack.....	Herbarium work.....	15c			
S. E. Sanberg.....	Steam-fitter.....	25c			
S. E. Shephard.....	Machinist.....	22½c			
J. D. Conohan.....	Steam-fitter (temporary).....	15c			
John Schneider.....	Laborer.....	15c			
Arthur Anderson.....	Stoker.....	15c			
Frank O'Neill.....	Patrick's helper (Saturdays).....		\$1 00		
Arthur Bate.....	Supt. of construction.....			\$100 00	

Charwomen are employed to clean the university buildings, usually working Saturdays of each week. They are paid ten cents per hour. About ten such women are employed.

CARPENTERS.

NAME.	PLACE OF SERVICE.	RATE PER	
		Hour.	Month.
Irving Mutchler.....	Chief carpenter, carpenter shop.....	.....	\$65 00
Samuel Gyles.....	Carpenter shop.....	22½c	.....
Carl Rodlund.....	Carpenter shop.....	20c	.....
A. Thorson.....	Carpenter shop.....	20c	.....
Daniel Green.....	Carpenter shop.....	20c	.....
Walter McIntosh.....	Carpenter shop.....	20c	.....
S. W. Brown.....	Carpenter shop.....	20c	.....

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.

NAME.	SERVICE.	RATE PER			
		Hour.	Day.	Month.	Year.
Leslie Adams.....	Superintendent at farm .....	.....	.....	.....	\$1,000
F. B. Fulmer.....	Butter maker .....	.....	.....	\$65 00	.....
Frank Kleinheinz	Shepherd .....	.....	.....	50 00	.....
Fred Cranfield.....	Assistant to Prof. Goff.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....
H. Sandall.....	Assistant to Prof. King.....	.....	.....	45 00	.....
Wm. Wilson.....	Swine herder .....	.....	.....	45 00	.....
Geo. Willett.....	Assistant shepherd .....	.....	.....	45 00	.....
Mark Smith.....	Pasteurizer.....	.....	.....	45 00	.....
Jas. Hutton.....	Teamster .....	.....	.....	40 00	.....
John Banks.....	Teamster .....	.....	.....	40 00	.....
J. C. Fortiner.....	Fireman and janitor, dairy building .....	.....	.....	40 00	.....
M. Ash.....	Assistant to Prof. Goff .....	.....	.....	37 00	.....
A. F. Bobb.....	Deliveryman .....	.....	.....	37 00	.....
John Nolan.....	Laborer .....	.....	.....	37 00	.....
A. B. Sayles.....	Book-keeper and helper .....	.....	.....	45 00	.....
Alfred Vivian.....	Assistant in chemical laboratory	25c	.....	.....	.....
John Jones.....	Janitor, agricultural hall .....	.....	.....	45 00	.....
Ida Herfurth.....	Stenographer, Dean Henry's office .....	.....	.....	60 00	.....
E. M. Klose.....	Stenographer, Dean Henry's office .....	.....	.....	50 00	.....
Minnie McCoy.....	Stenographer, Dean Henry's office	15c	.....	.....	.....

AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE FORCE.

CONDUCTORS, ASSISTANTS, ETC.

NAME.	SERVICE.	RATE PER			
		Day.	Meet- ing.	Week.	Month.
Thos. Convey.....	Conductor.....	.....	.....	\$25 00	.....
C. H. Everett.....	Conductor.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....
H. A. Briggs.....	Conductor.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....
Alex. A. Arnold.....	Conductor.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....
H. C. Taylor.....	Conductor.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....
R. C. Coe.....	Assistant.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Geo. C. Hill.....	Assistant.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....
W. C. Bradley.....	Assistant.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....
Chas. Thorp.....	Assistant.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....
L. E. Scott.....	Assistant.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....
C. P. Goodrich.....	Expert dairyman.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....
Alex. Galbraith.....	Horse expert.....	.....	\$5 00	.....	.....
Prof. F. W. Taylor....	Horticulturist.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....
Chas. L. Hill.....	Assistant.....	\$5 00	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. J. A. Jamison.....	Cooking school teacher.....	.....	22 00	.....	.....
F. E. Rotchka.....	Artist.....	.....	.....	18 00	.....
Hattie V. Stout.....	Stenographer, superintendent's office .....	.....	.....	.....	\$60 00
John Jones.....	Janitor, superintendent's office..	.....	.....	.....	5 00

SCHEDULE GIVING THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE STAFF OF INSTRUCTION IN THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, TOGETHER WITH THE NUMBER OF HOURS OF INSTRUCTION GIVEN BY EACH, AND THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVING INSTRUCTION FROM EACH.

	Recitation, hours per week.	Laboratory, hours per week.	Students
Allen, Katarine, assistant in Latin.....	8	.....	37
Austin, L. W., assistant professor of physics.....	3	17	145
Babcock, S. M., professor of agricultural chemistry (See college of agriculture, following.).....	.....	.....	.....
Baker, M. E., fellow in English literature.....	5	.....	28
Barnes, C. R., professor of botany.....	9	14	113
Bashford, R. M., professor of the law of private cor- porations and commercial law.....	3	.....	176
Bassett, V. H., assistant in chemistry.....	.....	18	113
Boudren, Sara E., instructor in gymnastics.....	12	.....	147
Bryant, E. E., dean, college of law.....	12	.....	337
Birge, E. A., professor of zoology, and dean of the college of letters and science.....	6	.....	185
Buckley, E. R., fellow in geology.....	.....	.....	.....
Bull, Storm, professor steam engineering.....	12	6	56
Bunting, C. H., fellow in Botany.....	.....	10	40
Burgess, C. F., assistant in electric engineering.....	3	16	15
Cairns, W. B., instructor in rhetoric.....	9	.....	143
Carpenter, J. H., Jacksonian professor of law.....	1	.....	28
Caskey, W. G., instructor in elocution.....	15	.....	83
Cassoday, J. B., professor of constitutional law.....	1	.....	43
Cheney, L. S., assistant professor of pharmaceutical botany.....	.....	20	52
Clements, J. M., assistant professor of geology.....	8	.....	28
Coffin, Victor, assistant professor of European history.....	12	.....	103
Comstock, G. C., professor of astronomy and di- rector of Washburn observatory.....	10	.....	3
Craig, J. A., professor of animal husbandry. (See college of agriculture, following.).....	.....	.....	.....
Daniells, W. W., professor of chemistry.....	10	10	149
Davies, J. E., professor of electric magnetism and mathematical physics.....	8	.....	5
Decker, J. W., instructor in dairying. (See college of agriculture, following.).....	.....	.....	.....
Dowling, L. W., instructor in mathematics.....	17	.....	113
Drew, W. L., assistant professor of law.....	5	.....	121
Elsom, J. C., professor of physical culture and di- rector of gymnasium.....	4	.....	457
Ely, Richard T., director school of economics, political science, and history.....	10	.....	67
Farrington, E. H., associate professor of dairy husbandry. (See college of agriculture, follow- ing.).....	.....	.....	.....
Ferry, E. S., instructor in physics.....	4	14	73
Fischer, Richard, instructor in practical pharmacy.....	3	17	16
Flint, Albert, assistant astronomer.....	.....	.....	.....
Ford, A. H., fellow in electrical engineering.....	.....	16	45
Fortenbaugh, S. D., assistant professor in electrical engineering.....	5	17	26
Frankenburger, D. B., professor of rhetoric and oratory.....	13	.....	234
Frankenfield, B. D., assistant in electrical engineer- ing.....	.....	16	45
Freeman, J. C. professor of English literature.....	16	.....	325
Frost, W. D., assistant in bacteriology.....	1	14	20
Gay, Lucy M., instructor in French.....	12	.....	99
Giese, W. F., assistant professor of romance lan- guages.....	17	.....	111
Griffith, Jessie, instructor in German.....	15	.....	121
Goff, E. S., professor of horticulture. (See college of agriculture following.).....	.....	.....	.....
Gregory, C. N., professor of law, and associate dean.....	6	.....	176
Hartwell, F. L., instructor in machine practice.....	.....	50	64
Haskins, C. H., professor of institutional history.....	12	.....	175

STAFF OF INSTRUCTORS, HOURS OF INSTRUCTION GIVEN, AND NUMBER
OF STUDENTS RECEIVING INSTRUCTION FROM EACH — Continued.

	Recitation, hours per week.	Laboratory, hours per week.	Students.
Henry, W. A., dean and director of the college of agriculture. (See college of agriculture following.)			
Hillyer, H. W., assistant professor of organic chemistry	5	15	119
Hobbs, W. H., assistant professor of mineralogy and petrology	10	14	15
Howie, J. M., assistant in mathematics	8		63
Hubbard, F. G., associated professor of English philology	10		61
Jackson, D. C., professor of electrical engineering	11	13	48
Jastrow, Joseph, professor of psychology	8	10	172
Jones, B. W., professor of law of evidence, public corporations and domestic relations	3		176
Jones, E. D., instructor in statistics and economics	9		14
Jones, F. R., professor of machine design	6	18	59
Kahlenberg, Louis, instructor in physical chemistry	7	24	67
Kelly, F. T., instructor in Hellenistic Greek	15		27
Kerr, Alexander, professor of Greek language and literature	5		22
King, F. H., professor of agricultural physics. (See college of agriculture, following.)			
King, C. I., professor of mechanical practice		24	97
Knowlton, A. A., assistant professor of rhetoric	8		123
Kremers, Edward, professor of pharmaceutical chemistry	5	20	51
Laird, A. G., assistant professor of ancient languages	11		51
Libby, O. G., instructor in history	13		124
Lincoln, A. T., assistant in chemistry		25	149
Lottes, W. G., instructor in forge practice		56	23
Mack, J. G. D., assistant professor of machine design	2	30	86
Marshall, W. S., assistant professor of zoology		24	108
Maurer, E. R., assistant professor of pure and applied mechanics	16		52
Meyer, B. H., fellow in economics	3		100
Miller, W. S., assistant professor of vertebrate anatomy	4	20	26
Olin, J. M., professor of the law of real property, torts and wills	3		176
Olson, Julius E., professor of the Scandinavian languages and literature	16		38
Owen, E. T., professor of the French language and literature	8		31
Parker, F. A., professor of music and director of the school music	11		89
Parkinson, J. B., vice president and professor of constitutional and international law	10		68
Pyre, J. F. A., instructor in English literature	9		127
Quantz, J. O., fellow in philosophy			
Raymond, J. H., professor of sociology and secretary of university extension	7		23
Rainsch, P. S., instructor in political science	11		66
Remington, Harriet S., instructor in German	15		115
Richter, A. W., assistant professor of experimental engineering	1	26	173
Rohn, Oscar, instructor in gymnastics	4		313
Rosenstengel, W. H., professor of German	14		117
Running, Theodore, fellow in mathematics	5		19
Russell, H. L., assistant professor of bacteriology	6		17
Schreiner, Oswald, assistant in pharmaceutical technique		18	41
Scott, W. A., associate professor of political economy	15		201
Seymour, A. R., assistant in French	9		53
Shannon, C. H., fellow in Greek			
Sharp, F. C., Assistant professor of philosophy	15		136
Showerman, Grant, fellow in Latin	5		5
Skinner, E. B., assistant professor of mathematics	18		100
Slaughter, M. S., Professor of Latin	10		70

STAFF OF INSTRUCTORS, HOURS OF INSTRUCTION GIVEN, AND NUMBER
OF STUDENTS RECEIVING INSTRUCTION FROM EACH — Continued.

	Recitation, hours per week.	Laboratory, hours per week.	Students.
Sleeper, H. D., instructor in music.....			
Slichter, C. S., professor of applied mathematics..	17		65
Smith, C. F., professor of Greek and classical phil- ology.....	11		53
Smith, C. M., assistant in physics.....		28	131
Smith, L. S., assistant professor of topography, en- gineering.....	6	22	75
Snow, B. W., professor of physics.....	5	17	191
Sober, H. A., assistant professor of Latin.....	13		92
Sparling, S. E., assistant in public administration.	5		21
Stearns, J. W., professor of philosophy and peda- gogy.....	13		65
Sterling, Susan A., instructor in German.....	15		142
True, R. H., assistant professor of pharmacognosy.	1	16	18
Turneaure, F. E., professor of bridge and hydraulic engineering.....	6	14	58
Turner, F. J., Professor of American history.....	10		160
Van Hise, C. R., professor of Geology.....	7	4	32
Van Velzer, C. A., professor of mathematics.....	15		68
Voss, Ernst., assistant professor of German philol- ogy.....	12		46
Wentworth, C. T., fellow in history.....	5		41
Whitney, N. O., professor of railway engineering...	7	13	51
Wilder, G. W., assistant in physics.....		28	131
Williams, W. H., professor of Hebrew and hellenis- tic Greek.....	25		85
Woll, F. W., assistant professor of agricultural chemistry (see college of agriculture following.)			

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE.

1. W. A. Henry, Dean and Director.
 2. 5 lectures per week, 12 weeks.
8 lectures per week, 7 weeks.
16 lectures, Dairy class.
 3. Total number of students, 214.
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1. S. M. Babcock, Chief Chemist.
 2. 3 lectures per week, 12 weeks.
6 lectures per week, 4 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 173.
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1. F. H. King, Professor of Agricultural Physics.
 2. 8 lectures per week, 14 weeks.
8 hours laboratory per week, 14 hours.
20 hours laboratory, 18 weeks.
8 lectures to Dairy class.
 3. Total number of students, 199.
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1. E. S. Goff, Professor of Horticulture and Economic Entomology.
 2. 7 lectures per week, 12 weeks.
4 lectures per week, 4 weeks.
12 hours laboratory work per week, 16 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 112.
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1. J. A. Craig, Professor, Animal Husbandry.
 2. 8 lectures per week, 7 weeks.
28 hours laboratory work, 14 weeks.
8 lectures to Dairy class.
 3. Total number of students, 207.
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1. F. W. Woll, Assistant Chemist.
 2. 12 hours laboratory instruction per week, 36 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 7.
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1. H. L. Russell, Professor, Bacteriology.
 2. 3 lectures per week, 18 weeks.
3 lectures per week, 6 weeks.
3 lectures per week, 5 weeks.
3 lectures per week, 3 weeks.
10 hours laboratory instruction, 12 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 185.
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1. E. H. Farrington, Professor, Dairy Husbandry.
 2. 6 lectures weekly, 12 weeks.
12 hours laboratory weekly, 12 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 102.

1. John W. Decker, Cheese Instructor.
2. 3 lectures weekly, 12 weeks.
36 hours factory practice weekly, 12 weeks.
Investigation of 60 factories operated by Dairy pupils scattered all over the State, working for certificates.
3. Total number of students, 98.

1. R. A. Moore, in charge of Short Course.
2. 6 recitations weekly, 14 weeks.
48 hours supervision, 14 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 105.

1. Frederick Cranefield, Assistant in Green House instruction.
2. 4 hours laboratory daily, 14 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 105.

SHORT COURSE OCCUPIES 14 WEEKS; DAIRY COURSE, 12 WEEKS.

1. J. W. Stevenson, Instructor in Stock Judging.
2. 4 hours judging practice daily, 14 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 105.

1. A. P. Jones, Instructor in Farm Mechanics.
2. 24 hours laboratory weekly, 14 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 98.

1. F. B. Fulmer, Instructor in Milk Testing.
2. 24 hours laboratory weekly, 12 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 102.

1. W. C. Wells, Instructor at Butter-worker.
2. Instruction at butter-worker 30 hours weekly, 12 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 102.

1. C. S. Bullard, Instructor at Separators.
2. 30 hours instruction at separators weekly, 12 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 102.

1. Charles Bush, Instructor at Separators.
2. 30 hours instruction at separators weekly, 12 weeks.
3. Total number of students, 102.

1. U. S. Baer, Instructor in Cheese Making.
 2. 30 hours instruction weekly at cheese vats, 12 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 99.
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1. Julius Berg, Instructor in Cheese Making.
 2. 30 hours instruction weekly at cheese vats, 12 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 99.
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1. A. B. Sayles, Instructor in Farm Dairying.
 2. 24 hours instruction weekly, 14 weeks, in farm dairying.
 3. Total number of students, 60.
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1. H. I. Shockley, Assistant Instructor in Farm Dairying.
 2. 24 hours instruction weekly, 14 weeks, in farm dairying.
 3. Total number of students, 60.
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1. Mark Smith, Instructor in Pasteurizing.
 2. 24 hours instruction weekly in pasteurizing milk, 14 weeks.
 3. Total number of students, 19.
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1. Dr. J. P. Laws, Instructor in Veterinary Science.
 2. 50 lectures and 42 hours demonstrations.
 3. Total number of students, 213.

DISBURSEMENTS BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS FROM OCT. 1, 1896, TO
DEC. 31, 1896, INCLUSIVE.

(For disbursements for preceding fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1896, see published report.)

Oct. 5, 1896.

Voucher

Nos.

1	C. K. Adams, salary.....	\$700 00
2	J. B. Parkinson, salary.....	300 00
3	E. A. Birge, salary.....	350 00
4	R. T. Ely, salary.....	350 00
5	C. F. Smith, salary.....	300 00
6	C. R. Barnes, salary.....	250 00
7	W. W. Daniells, salary.....	250 00
8	D. B. Frankenburger, salary.....	250 00
9	J. C. Freeman, salary.....	250 00
10	W. H. Rosenstengel, salary.....	250 00
11	J. W. Stearns, salary.....	250 00
12	F. J. Turner, salary.....	250 00
13	C. R. Van Hise, salary.....	250 00
14	C. H. Haskins, salary.....	250 00
15	C. H. Haskins, salary.....	1,000 00
16	B. W. Snow, salary.....	250 00
17	W. A. Scott, salary.....	250 00
18	F. A. Parker, salary.....	220 00
19	C. A. Van Velzer, salary.....	220 00
20	Jos. Jastrow, salary.....	220 00
21	W. H. Williams, salary.....	200 00
22	C. S. Slichter, salary.....	200 00
23	J. E. Olson, salary.....	200 00
24	M. S. Slaughter, salary.....	200 00
25	F. G. Hubbard, salary.....	180 00
26	Wm. H. Hobbs, salary.....	170 00
27	Edw. T. Owen, salary.....	166 66
28	H. W. Hillyer, salary.....	150 00
29	A. A. Knowlton, salary.....	150 00
30	H. A. Sober, salary.....	150 00
31	W. S. Miller, salary.....	150 00
32	J. C. Elsom, salary.....	150 00
33	E. B. Skinner, salary.....	140 00
34	Victor Coffin, salary.....	140 00
35	Ernst Voss, salary.....	140 00
36	W. F. Giese, salary.....	140 00
37	A. G. Laird, salary.....	140 00
38	L. W. Austin, salary.....	140 00
39	W. S. Marshall, salary.....	140 00
40	F. C. Sharp, salary.....	140 00
41	Louis Kahlenberg, salary.....	140 00
42	Susan A. Sterling, salary.....	120 00
43	Lucy M. Gay, salary.....	120 00
44	Alexander Kerr, salary.....	100 00
45	O. G. Libby, salary.....	100 00
46	W. B. Cairns, salary.....	100 00
47	E. S. Ferry, salary.....	100 00
48	W. G. Caskey, salary.....	100 00
49	J. F. A. Pyre, salary.....	100 00
50	Oscar Rohn, salary.....	100 00
51	Harriet T. Remington, salary.....	100 00

52	Mary C. Bright, salary.....	\$100 00
53	L. W. Dowling, salary.....	80 00
54	Jessie Griffith, salary.....	80 00
55	F. T. Kelly, salary.....	80 00
56	Ed. D. Jones, salary.....	80 00
57	J. M. Howie, salary.....	60 00
58	W. D. Frost, salary.....	60 00
59	C. M. Smith, salary.....	50 00
60	A. R. Seymour, salary.....	50 00
61	Katherine Allen, salary.....	50 00
62	S. E. Sparling, salary.....	50 00
63	H. D. Sleeper, salary.....	40 00
64	E. R. Buckley, salary.....	40 00
65	A. H. Ford, salary.....	40 00
66	B. H. Meyer, salary.....	40 00
67	J. O. Quantz, salary.....	40 00
68	Theo. Running, salary.....	40 00
69	C. T. Wentworth, salary.....	40 00
70	Victor H. Bassett, salary.....	40 00
71	J. E. Davies, salary.....	200 00
72	N. O. Whitney, salary.....	250 00
73	D. C. Jackson, salary.....	250 00
74	Storm Bull, salary.....	250 00
75	C. I. King, salary.....	200 00
76	F. E. Turneure, salary.....	200 00
77	F. R. Jones, salary.....	200 00
78	E. R. Maurer, salary.....	160 00
79	A. W. Richter, salary.....	160 00
80	S. B. Fortenbaugh, salary.....	150 00
81	L. S. Smith, salary.....	140 00
82	Jno. G. Mack, salary.....	140 00
83	F. I. Hartwell, salary.....	80 00
84	C. F. Burgess, salary.....	80 00
85	Budd Frankenfield, salary.....	30 00
86	W. A. Henry, salary.....	400 00
87	S. M. Babcock, salary.....	250 00
88	E. S. Goff, salary.....	220 00
89	F. H. King, salary.....	220 00
90	E. H. Farrington, salary.....	200 00
91	H. L. Russell, salary.....	180 00
92	F. W. Woll, salary.....	180 00
93	J. A. Craig, salary.....	170 00
94	John W. Decker, salary.....	90 00
95	Geo. C. Comstock, salary.....	300 00
96	A. S. Flint, salary.....	367 07
97	Ed. Kremers, salary.....	200 00
98	L. ... Cheney, salary.....	140 00
99	R. H. True, salary.....	140 00
100	R. Fischer, salary.....	100 00
101	E. E. Bryant, salary.....	250 00
102	C. N. Gregory, salary.....	240 00
103	W. M. Smith, salary.....	140 00
104	W. H. Dudley, salary.....	100 00
105	Geo. McKerrow, salary.....	220 00
106	Jerome H. Raymond, salary.....	250 00
107	Paul S. Reinsch, salary.....	100 00
108	E. F. Riley, sec'y, contingent.....	1,315 04
109	E. F. Riley, sec'y, university pay roll.....	2,321 04
110	E. F. Riley, sec'y, Agr. Col. & Inst. Offs. pay roll.....	1,116 18
111	E. F. Riley, sec'y, milk pay roll.....	984 37
112	C. M. Dengler, lettering.....	5 00
113	W. T. McConnell, hogs.....	154 57

114	Alford Bros., laundrying.....	\$8 57
115	Rob't M. Lamp, agent, insurance premium.....	8 00
116	The Stark Mfg. Co., lumber.....	10 50
117	Beattie & Beattie, veterinary services.....	10 50
118	Bausch & Lomb Opt. Co., microscopes.....	212 10
119	Marr & Richards Eng. Co., half-tones.....	4 50
120	P. M. Sharples, tester.....	7 50
121	C. L. Kiewert & Co., brushes.....	15 00
122	F. B. Fargo & Co., mdse.....	6 50
123	E. H. Sargent & Co., reptone.....	1 20
124	Elgin Butter Tub Co., butter tubs.....	40 75
125	F. B. Fargo & Co., pails.....	16 75
126	E. S. Ritchie & Sons, thermophone.....	49 50
127	H. B. Hobbins, agent, Insurance Premium.....	196 65
128	G. E. Gernon, agent, Insurance Premium.....	947 96
129	J. C. Proctor, Insurance Premium.....	216 00
130	Buff & Berger, transit.....	248 60
131	Jas. E. Hurley, stone cutting machine.....	50 00
132	E. & C. Electric Co., generators.....	75 00
133	Chas. A. Strelinger & Co., shafting and pulleys.....	44 50
134	James G. Biddle, electric furnace.....	51 97
135	Columbia Rubber Works Co., packing.....	25 75
136	Schaffer & Budenberg, guage.....	21 53
137	Central Electric Co., call bells.....	3 50
138	E. F. Riley, services as secretary.....	687 50
139	C. K. Adams, president, contingent.....	84 15
140	D. L. Plumer, expenses.....	27 00
141	Frank Challoner, expenses.....	7 50
142	John Johnson, expenses.....	3 50
143	Warren & Klusman, livery.....	5 00
144	Dep't State, Washington, D. C., books.....	36 92
145	Northwestern Oil Co., soap stock bbl.....	10 24
146	Whitall, Tatum & Co., museum jars.....	55 73
147	Viscosity Oil Co., oil.....	46 55
148	D. J. Gallagher Mfg. Co., waste.....	7 83
149	N. O. Whitney, expenses.....	3 40
150	A. A. Mayers, grass seed.....	5 05
151	A. H. Main & Son, agt. ins. prem.....	319 88
152	C. B. Chapman, agt., ins. prem.....	185 38
153	Chas. H. Mayers, agt., ins. prem.....	123 00
154	Theo. Herfurth, agt., ins. prem.....	69 00
155	J. W. Curran, agt., ins. prem.....	61 50
156	J. M. Clifford, agt., ins. prem.....	61 50
157	J. C. Haley, agt., ins. prem.....	26 50
158	Pollard & Taber, paint and labor.....	37 67
159	Western Electric Co., pony relays.....	5 40
160	Eimer & Amend, chemicals.....	88 99
161	Gustav E. Stechert, books and periodicals.....	234 54
162	N. Frederickson & Sons, lumber.....	118 84
163	Dane Co. Telephone Co., telephone service.....	13 50
164	Fuller & Johnson Mfg. Co., lumber and repairs.....	64 94
165	Ramsay & Lerdall, hardware.....	87 52
166	Madison Gas & Elect. Co., gas.....	37 39
167	W. T. McConnell & Son, mdse.....	19 33
168	Angell & Hastreiter, city directories.....	6 00
169	C. F. Cooley, fuel.....	65 86
170	John W. Bashford, expenses.....	14 75
171	Orlando E. Clark, expenses.....	7 43
172	Library Bureau, cards.....	29 00
173	Oscar Janeck, repairing furniture.....	120 00
174	Haswell & Scholl, ladies' hall furniture.....	815 86
175	Banderob-Chase & Son, dressers and commodes.....	102 00

176	Geo. McArthur & Son, rugs.....	\$127 45
177	The Upham Mfg. Co., furniture.....	289 30
178	Jos. W. Walker, breeching.....	175 00
179	Westinghouse, Church, Kerr & Co., on account.....	325 00
180	Standard Boiler Co., acct., contract boiler.....	900 00
181	Philip Gross, hardware.....	200 00
182	T. C. McCarthy, on contracts.....	7,235 25
183	Arthur Bate, superintendent.....	100 00
184	Void, not used.....	
185	Wm. L. Drew, salary.....	150 00

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186	W. G. Lottes, salary.....	85 00
187	M. J. Jeffris, expenses.....	5 00
188	T. R. Bentley, acct., contract and setting boiler.....	8,218 00
189	Chicago Edison Co., acct., wiring contract.....	1,000 00
190	L. J. Mueller Furnace Co., acct., cont. piping in tunnel.....	800 00
191	Storm bull, services.....	150 00
192	N. O. Whitney, surveying services.....	150 00

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193	C. K. Adams, salary.....	700 00
194	J. B. Parkinson, salary.....	300 00
195	E. A. Birge, salary.....	350 00
196	R. T. Ely, salary.....	350 00
197	Chas. F. Smith, salary.....	300 00
198	C. R. Barnes, salary.....	250 00
199	W. W. Daniels, salary.....	250 00
200	D. B. Frankenburger, salary.....	250 00
201	J. C. Freeman, salary.....	250 00
202	W. H. Rosenstengel, salary.....	250 00
203	J. W. Stearns, salary.....	250 00
204	F. J. Turner, salary.....	250 00
205	C. H. Haskins, salary.....	250 00
206	B. W. Snow, salary.....	250 00
207	W. A. Scott, salary.....	250 00
208	F. A. Parker, salary.....	220 00
209	C. A. Van Velzer, salary.....	220 00
210	Jos. Jastrow, salary.....	220 00
211	W. H. Williams, salary.....	200 00
212	C. S. Slichter, salary.....	200 00
213	M. S. Slaughter, salary.....	200 00
214	F. G. Hubbard, salary.....	180 00
215	W. H. Hobbs, salary.....	170 00
216	Edw. T. Owens, salary.....	216 66
217	H. W. Hillyer, salary.....	150 00
218	A. A. Knowlton, salary.....	150 00
219	H. A. Sober, salary.....	150 00
220	W. S. Miller, salary.....	150 00
221	J. C. Elsom, salary.....	150 00
222	E. B. Skinner, salary.....	140 00
223	Victor Coffin, salary.....	140 00
224	Ernst Voss, salary.....	140 00
225	W. F. Giese, salary.....	140 00
226	A. F. Laird, salary.....	140 00
227	L. W. Austin, salary.....	140 00
228	W. S. Marshall, salary.....	140 00
229	F. C. Sharp, salary.....	140 00
230	L. Kahlenberg, salary.....	140 00
231	Susan A. Sterling, salary.....	120 00

232	Lucy M. Gay, salary.....	\$120 00
233	Alexander Kerr, salary.....	100 00
234	O. G. Libby, salary.....	100 00
235	W. B. Cairns, salary.....	100 00
236	E. S. Ferry, salary.....	100 00
237	W. G. Caskey, salary.....	100 00
238	J. F. A. Pyre, salary.....	100 00
239	Oscar Rohn, salary.....	100 00
240	Harriet T. Remington, salary.....	100 00
241	Mary C. Bright, salary.....	100 00
242	L. W. Dowling, salary.....	80 00
243	Jessie Griffith, salary.....	30 00
244	F. T. Kelly, salary.....	80 00
245	G. W. Wilder, salary.....	100 00
246	C. M. Smith, salary.....	50 00
247	Ed. Jones, salary.....	80 00
248	J. M. Howie, salary.....	60 00
249	W. D. Frost, salary.....	60 00
250	A. R. Seymour, salary.....	50 00
251	S. E. Sparling, salary.....	50 00
252	H. D. Sleeper, salary.....	40 00
253	C. H. Bunting, salary.....	80 00
254	A. H. Ford, salary.....	40 00
255	Theo. Running, salary.....	40 00
256	Grant Showerman, salary.....	80 00
257	C. H. Shannon, salary.....	80 00
258	C. T. Wentworth, salary.....	40 00
259	A. T. Lincoln, salary.....	60 00
260	V. H. Bassett, salary.....	30 00
261	N. O. Whitney, salary.....	250 00
262	D. C. Jackson, salary.....	250 00
263	Storm Bull, salary.....	250 00
264	C. I. King, salary.....	200 00
265	F. E. Turneure, salary.....	200 00
266	F. R. Jones, salary.....	200 00
267	E. R. Maurer, salary.....	160 00
268	A. W. Richter, salary.....	160 00
269	S. B. Fortenbaugh, salary.....	150 00
270	L. S. Smith, salary.....	140 00
271	Jno. G. D. Mack, salary.....	140 00
272	W. G. Lottes, salary.....	85 00
273	F. I. Hartwell, salary.....	80 00
274	C. F. Burgess, salary.....	80 00
275	Budd Frankenfield, salary.....	30 00
276	W. A. Henry, salary.....	400 00
277	F. H. King, salary.....	220 00
278	E. H. Farrington, salary.....	200 00
279	H. L. Russell, salary.....	180 00
280	F. W. Woll, salary.....	180 00
281	John A. Craig, salary.....	170 00
282	John W. Decker, salary.....	90 00
283	Geo. C. Comstock, salary.....	300 00
284	Ed. Kremers, salary.....	200 00
285	L. S. Cheney, salary.....	140 00
286	R. H. True, salary.....	140 00
287	R. Fischer, salary.....	100 00
288	O. Schreiner, salary.....	80 00
289	E. E. Bryant, salary.....	350 00
290	C. N. Gregory, salary.....	240 00
291	Wm. L. Drew, salary.....	150 00
292	W. M. Smith, salary.....	140 00
293	W. H. Dudley, salary.....	100 00

294	Geo. McKerrow, salary.....	\$220 00
295	Jerome H. Raymond, salary.....	250 00
296	Paul S. Reinsch, salary.....	100 00
297	W. C. Richtman, Pabst Fellowship.....	80 00
298	C. G. Hunkel, Uihlein Fellowship.....	80 00
299	W. G. Bleyer, Alumni Fellowship.....	75 00
300	E. F. Riley, Sec'y, univ. pay roll.....	2,401 32
301	E. F. Riley, Sec'y, farm and inst. ofs. pay roll.....	1,253 65
302	E. F. Riley, Sec'y, milk.....	1,154 26
303	R. A. Moore, expenses.....	90 20
304	John W. Decker, expenses.....	78 11
305	E. H. Farrington, expenses.....	27 80
306	F. H. King, expenses.....	8 40
307	Germania Printing Co., adv.....	10 00
308	Cornish, Curtis & Greene Mfg. Co., aerators.....	75 00
309	Kronecke Bros., hdwr. hog house.....	29 83
310	Wm. Albers, sand.....	2 50
311	T. E. Fenne, wood.....	49 50
312	Currie Bros., seed.....	11 50
313	J. C. Vaughan, seeds.....	4 50
314	Chas. S. Baker & Co., tablets.....	10 10
315	Alex. Findlay & Co., oil, meat and salt.....	12 10
316	Chris. Laurence, salt.....	22 50
317	Frank T. Louis, lambs.....	216 64
318	L. Bockhaus, horse.....	25 00
319	McCormick Harvesting Machine Co., twine.....	4 25
320	H. J. Perkins, photo work.....	2 10
321	J. M. Clifford, agt., ins. prem.....	21 00
322	D. B. Frankenburger, paid for instruction.....	80 00
323	Queen & Co., apparatus.....	97 50
324	Aug. Becker, apparatus (M. 294 and ex.).....	70 33
325	Oscar Leuner, apparatus, (M. 1005.70 and ex.).....	387 37
326	Buff & Berger, repairing transit.....	20 95
327	John Svenson, adjustable angle.....	3 50
328	R. F. Nitschke, framing.....	4 50
329	C. I. King, traveling expenses.....	27 44
330	S. B. Fortenbaugh, traveling expenses.....	34 47
331	N. O. Whitney, traveling expenses.....	25 37
332	Storm Bull, traveling expenses.....	26 94
333	F. E. Turneure, apparatus and expenses.....	94 02
334	F. C. Sheasby, agt., shades.....	6 00
335	Garden City Sand Co., fire brick.....	18 00
336	C. K. Adams, President, contingent fund.....	250 75
337	M. J. Cantwell, printing.....	20 00
338	John Johnston, expenses as regent.....	3 85
339	West Publishing Co., law books.....	25 50
340	C. W. Dumont, agt., Am. and Eng. encyclopedia.....	11 00
341	Kraft & Schmitz, pipe work.....	80 00
342	National Meter Co., meter.....	60 00
343	D. F. Conlin, moving pianos.....	12 00
344	J. K. Rutishhauser, brooms.....	4 40
345	W. A. Ohnstad, crayon.....	4 20
346	Champion Mop Wringer Co., wringers.....	3 25
347	F. R. Eastman, wiring.....	12 00
348	Kandler & Gaertner, photometer.....	115 00
349	G. Grimm, binding.....	110 20
350	H. Christoffers & Co., tables.....	15 00
351	E. S. Ferry, lamp sockets.....	4 25
352	Bradford Bros. & Co., lumber.....	285 45
353	Cleveland Twist Drill Co., drills.....	8 54
354	The Western Elec. Inst. Co., rep. app.....	5 58
355	C. F. Cooley, pipe and cement.....	15 67

356	F. C. Sheasby agt., shades and clean windows.....	\$9 80
357	Dane Co. Telephone Co., rentals.....	13 50
358	Tracy, Gibbs & Co., printing.....	114 05
359	Ramsay & Lerdall, hdwr.....	109 91
360	Madison Gas & Elec. Co., gas and current.....	184 16
361	Richards & Co., lmtd., chem. apparatus.....	24 21
362	King & Walker Co., pipe and fittings.....	44 20
363	Wm. Owens, plumbing.....	159 79
364	Eagle Pencil Co., pencils.....	21 38
365	H. S. Ott & Co., mdse.....	19 70
366	Taylor & Gleason, printing.....	17 00
367	F. W. Hoyt, Treas., bridge.....	200 00
368	John P. Halbach, repair harness and net.....	8 55
369	Haswell & Scholl, furniture.....	64 54
370	Crane Co., pipe and fittings.....	68 98
371	Western Electric Co., batteries.....	57 09
372	Stephenson & Studemann, tinwork.....	58 85
373	Arthur Bate, superintendent.....	100 00
374	T. R. Bentley, acct. contract.....	11,000 00
375	Link-Belt Machine Co., bal. contract.....	325 07
376	Buchstaff Edwards Co., chairs.....	202 00
377	A. & B. Olson, mantels.....	105 00

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378	C. K. Adams, salary.....	700 00
379	J. B. Parkinson, salary.....	300 00
380	E. A. Birge, salary.....	350 00
381	R. T. Ely, salary.....	350 00
382	Chas. F. Smith, salary.....	300 00
383	C. R. Barnes, salary.....	250 00
384	W. W. Daniells, salary.....	250 00
385	D. B. Frankenburger, salary.....	250 00
386	J. C. Freeman, salary.....	250 00
387	W. H. Rosenstengel, salary.....	250 00
388	J. W. Stearns, salary.....	250 00
389	F. J. Turner, salary.....	250 00
390	C. R. Van Hise, salary.....	250 00
391	Chas. H. Haskins, salary.....	250 00
392	Benj. W. Snow, salary.....	250 00
393	W. A. Scott, salary.....	250 00
394	F. A. Parker, salary.....	220 00
395	C. A. Van Velzer, salary.....	220 00
396	Jos. Jastrow, salary.....	220 00
397	W. H. Williams, salary.....	200 00
398	C. S. Slichter, salary.....	200 00
399	J. E. Olson, salary.....	400 00
400	M. S. Slaughter, salary.....	200 00
401	F. G. Hubbard, salary.....	180 00
402	Wm. H. Hobbs, salary.....	170 00
403	H. W. Hillyer, salary.....	150 00
404	A. A. Knowlton, salary.....	150 00
405	H. A. Sober, salary.....	150 00
406	W. S. Miller, salary.....	150 00
407	J. C. Elsom, salary.....	150 00
408	E. B. Skinner, salary.....	140 00
409	Victor Coffin, salary.....	140 00
410	Ernst N. Voss, salary.....	140 00
411	W. F. Giese, salary.....	140 00
412	A. G. Laird, salary.....	140 00
413	L. W. Austin, salary.....	140 00
414	W. S. Marshall, salary.....	140 00

415	F. C. Sharp, salary.....	\$140 00
416	L. Kahlenberg, salary.....	140 00
417	Susan A. Sterling, salary.....	120 00
418	Lucy M. Gay, salary.....	120 00
419	Alex. Kerr, salary.....	100 00
420	O. G. Libby, salary.....	100 00
421	W. B. Cairns, salary.....	100 00
422	E. S. Ferry, salary.....	100 00
423	W. G. Caskey, salary.....	100 00
424	J. F. A. Pyre, salary.....	100 00
425	Oscar Rohn, salary.....	100 00
426	Harriet T. Remington, salary.....	100 00
427	L. W. Dowling, salary.....	80 00
428	Jessie Griffith, salary.....	80 00
429	F. T. Kelley, salary.....	80 00
430	W. W. Wilder, salary.....	50 00
431	C. M. Smith, salary.....	50 00
432	Ed. D. Jones, salary.....	80 00
433	J. M. Howie, salary.....	60 00
434	W. D. Frost, salary.....	60 00
435	A. R. Seymour, salary.....	50 00
436	Katherine Allen, salary.....	100 00
437	S. E. Sparling, salary.....	50 00
438	H. D. Sleeper, salary.....	40 00
439	M. E. Baker, fellow.....	120 00
440	E. R. Buckley, fellow.....	80 00
441	C. H. Bunting, fellow.....	40 00
442	A. H. Ford, fellow.....	40 00
443	B. H. Meyer, fellow.....	80 00
444	J. O. Quantz, fellow.....	80 00
445	Theo. Running, fellow.....	40 00
446	C. H. Shannon, fellow.....	40 00
447	Grant Showerman, fellow.....	40 00
448	C. T. Wentworth, fellow.....	40 00
449	A. T. Lincoln, salary.....	30 00
450	Victor H. Bassett, salary.....	20 00
451	B. W. Fernow, salary.....	200 00
452	J. E. Davies, salary.....	400 00
453	N. O. Whitney, salary.....	250 00
454	D. C. Jackson, salary.....	250 00
455	Storm Bull, salary.....	250 00
456	F. E. Turneare, salary.....	200 00
457	F. R. Jones, salary.....	200 00
458	E. R. Maurer, salary.....	160 00
459	A. W. Richter, salary.....	160 00
460	S. B. Fortenbaugh, salary.....	150 00
461	L. S. Smith, salary.....	140 00
462	Jno. G. D. Mack, salary.....	140 00
463	W. G. Lottes, salary.....	85 00
464	F. I. Hartwell, salary.....	80 00
465	C. F. Burgess, salary.....	80 00
466	B. Frankenfield, salary.....	30 00
467	W. A. Henry, salary.....	400 00
468	S. M. Babcock, salary.....	500 00
469	E. S. Goff, salary.....	440 00
470	F. H. King, salary.....	220 00
471	E. H. Farrington, salary.....	200 00
472	H. L. Russell, salary.....	180 00
473	F. W. Woll, salary.....	180 00
474	John A. Craig, salary.....	170 00
475	John W. Decker, salary.....	90 00
476	Geo. C. Comstock, salary.....	300 00

477	Edw. Kramer, salary.....	\$200 00
478	L. S. Chaney, salary.....	140 00
479	R. H. Trues, salary.....	140 00
480	R. Fischer, salary.....	100 00
481	O. Schreiner, salary.....	40 00
482	E. E. Bryant, salary.....	350 00
483	C. N. Gregory, salary.....	240 00
484	W. L. Drew, salary.....	150 00
485	W. M. Smith, salary.....	140 00
486	W. H. Dudley, salary.....	100 00
487	Geo. McKerrow, salary.....	220 00
488	Jerome H. Raymond, salary.....	250 00
489	Paul S. Reinsch, salary.....	100 00
490	W. O. Richtman, Pabst fellowship.....	40 00
491	Carl C. Hunkel, Uihlein fellowship.....	40 00
492	E. F. Riley, Secretary, Univ. pay roll.....	2,432 56
493	E. F. Riley, Secretary, Station and Inst. office pay roll.....	1,157 51
494	E. F. Riley, Secretary, milk pay roll.....	1,010 92
495	H. L. Russell, expenses.....	58 82
496	John A. Craig, traveling expenses.....	29 80
497	Cornish, Curtis & Greene Mfg. Co., app.....	140 32
498	Capital City Mills, feed.....	144 17
499	Kroncke Bros., hdwr.....	44 60
500	John Geo. Ott, agt., insurance prem.....	16 00
501	Chas. Carmen, shoeing.....	34 20
502	India Alkali Works, savogram.....	8 13
503	M. Newgrass & Son, two horses.....	500 00
504	John Banholzer, harness.....	112 30
505	Herold Co., advertising.....	10 00
506	Watertown Thermometer Co., thermometers.....	35 70
507	The Michigan Package Co., butter packages.....	5 75
508	The Columbia Rubber Works Co., packing.....	16 80
509	W. H. Kaufman, apple stocks.....	7 55
510	P. M. Sharples, testers.....	39 08
511	Creamery Package Mfg. Co., bottles, etc.....	10 00
512	Geo. McKerrow, copper dip.....	5 60
513	Emil Greiner, chemical apparatus.....	109 55
514	Badger Typewriter & Stationery Co., paper.....	10 15
515	H. Mooers Co., flue brush.....	3 00
516	M. J. Cantwell, labels.....	18 75
517	Ellis & Pollworth, plants.....	43 76
518	Shea, Smith & Co., impression books.....	7 75
519	J. W. Staniford & Co., vials.....	3 50
520	McIntosh Battery & Opt. Co., slides.....	46 99
521	Smith & Gamm, watch.....	14 00
522	Fred C. Ohm's Son., rock sections.....	22 50
523	W. H. Hobbs, traveling expenses.....	8 70
524	E. R. Buckley, traveling expenses.....	18 70
525	C. K. Leith, traveling expenses.....	14 25
526	H. A. Hyatt, card cutter.....	10 50
527	John Greig, table.....	5 00
528	Miller Lock Co., lock.....	2 79
529	J. W. Hanson, striking bags.....	20 00
530	Chas. E. Gregory Co., motor.....	150 00
531	Hill, Clark & B. Co., press.....	15 00
532	W. W. Stevens & Co., pulleys and belts.....	39 48
533	H. J. Perkins, photo work.....	16 30
534	Fauth & Co., repair transit.....	20 00
535	E. F. Riley, Administrator, calipers.....	6 00
536	Kempsmith Machine Tool Co., milling mach.....	510 00
537	F. R. Jones, expenses.....	12 67
538	W. S. Jeffris, expenses as visitor.....	9 71

539	John Johnston, expenses as Regent.....	\$3 00
540	Kentzler Bros., livery.....	3 00
541	Scott Paper Co., toilet paper.....	75 00
542	Adam Klein, brooms.....	4 50
543	Viscosity Oil Co., oil.....	45 90
544	F. R. Eastman, electric work.....	22 46
545	Electrical Appliance Co., plugs.....	2 52
546	Central Electric Co., lamps.....	4 28
547	Jas. A. Kelly, repairing furnace.....	16 36
548	Jas. E. Moseley, mdse.....	16 15
549	Ginn & Co., books.....	15 69
550	Eimer & Amend, chemicals and chem. apparatus.....	1,404 06
551	Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co., calipers.....	9 20
552	Cambridge Botanical Supply Co., paper.....	20 60
553	National Distilling Co., alcohol.....	16 35
554	Bullard & Hornley Co., tools.....	61 22
555	C. Frank Allen, Secretary, book.....	2 50
556	The Bristol Co., steel belt lacing.....	1 25
557	L. S. Wilkinson, paint.....	1 00
558	City of Madison, macadamizing, sprinkling.....	472 09
559	Geo. McKerrow, Supt., expenses Institutes.....	1,000 00
560	Geo. McKerrow, Supt., expenses Institutes.....	1,000 00
561	Wisconsin Telephone Co., rentals.....	36 69
562	Dane County Telephone Co., rentals and extension line.....	16 00
563	Wm. Owens, plumbing and fixtures.....	590 14
564	Pollord & Taber, painting.....	16 64
565	Hollisters Pharmacy, drugs and mdse.....	296 81
566	Dennison Mfg. Co., tags and labels.....	15 06
567	W. T. McConnell & Son, mdse.....	25 71
568	Ramsay & Lerdall, hdwr.....	85 36
569	Pickarts & Nicodemus, mdse.....	61 05
570	Taylor & Gleason, printing.....	44 68
571	E. C. Shensby, Agt., painting.....	26 67
572	Orlando E. Clark, expenses as Regent.....	10 80
573	State Journal Printing Co., printing.....	26 75
574	Schwaab Stamp & Seal Co., stamps.....	2 52
575	Gustav E. Stechert, books and periodicals.....	262 02
576	D. Stephens, brick, etc.....	16 00
577	D. J. Gallagher Mfg. Co., waste.....	16 23
578	Marr & Richards Eng. Co., engravings.....	118 16
579	Stephenson & Studenmann, tinwork.....	231 70
580	Jas. G. Biddle, apparatus.....	207 66
581	People's Electric Co., electric work.....	177 95
582	H. B. McGowan mdse.....	20 92
583	Library Bureau, case and book supports.....	34 80
584	Chas. A. Strelinger & Co., belts and tools.....	43 06
585	Machinists Supply Co., mdse.....	58 77
586	Jas. E. Fisher, table, desk and chair.....	22 00
587	John W. Bashford, expenses as Regent.....	7 85
588	A. & B. Olson, mantels.....	200 00
589	T. R. Bentley, extras, ladies' hall.....	1,803 35
590	Manville Covering Co., acct, contract.....	403 26
591	Matoon Mfg. Co., tables.....	295 00
592	Mautz Bros., curtains.....	173 65
593	Arthur Bate, superintendent.....	100 00
594	Jos. Meng Estate, pump.....	65 00
595	American Steel Tank Co., tanks.....	389 20
596	Moore Mfg. Co., apparatus.....	54 00
597	The Gould Co., pump.....	94 40
598	Aermoter Co., mill.....	362 75
599	F. Alinard, slides.....	1 46
600	Libreria Spithover, slides.....	6 46

601	G. Sommer & Figlio, slides.....	\$2 63
602	Ph. Pellin, slides.....	153 26
603	Gustav Heyde, apparatus.....	114 77
604	R. Friedlander & Son, books.....	3 02
605	T. C. McCarthy, mason work.....	495 09
606	A. C. McClurg & Co., books.....	75 27
607	Conover & Porter, archt., fees.....	463 97
608	T. C. McCarthy, on contract.....	1,402 00
609	D. Stephens, macadamizing.....	1,187 23

Total for quarter ending December 31st, 1896.....\$127,886 01

ITEMS PAID BY C. K. ADAMS AS PRESIDENT, AND CHARGEABLE
AGAINST THE ACCOUNT "PRESIDENT'S CONTINGENT,"

As Per Receipted Bills On File.

Voucher No. 139, paid Oct. 5th, 1896;

C. K. Adams, President, President's contingent fund..... \$84 15

In detail:

July 9, 1896—Pickarts & Nicodemus, mucilage and paper.....	\$1 85	.....
July 10, 1896—Western Union Telegraph Co., June messages..	2 05	.....
July 10, 1896—American Express Co., summer school circulars	65	.....
Package	25	.....
Aug. 22, 1896—James Conklin, P. M., postage stamps.....	6 00	.....
Sept. 3, 1896—Western Union Telegraph Co., August messages..	1 60	.....
Sept. 4, 1896—James Conklin, P. M., postage stamps.....	12 00	.....
Sept. 14, 1896—Rockwell & Rupel Co., 1 1-2 doz. transfer cases..	8 10	.....
Sept. 14, 1896—The Brunswick, (hotel) Boston, for "Purpose of meeting candidates for the Asst. Professorship of Law, and Instructorship of Woman's Gymnasium"	17 90	.....
Sept. 13, 1896—Alice A. Hinman, Northeast Harbor, Me., Steno- graphic work	27 30	.....
Oct. 3, 1896—Western Union Telegraph Co., September messages	6 45	.....
Total	\$84 15	=====

Voucher No. 336, paid Nov. 2d, 1896;

C. K. Adams, President, President's contingent fund..... \$250 75

In detail:

Oct. 12, 1896—W. H. Carson, car fare from Philadelphia to Boston and return, to meet President Adams in con- ference regarding Professorship of Law.....	\$20 50	.....
Oct. 31, 1896—C. K. Adams, "Expenses of myself and Pro- fessor Stearns as delegates of the University to the Sesquicentennial Celebration of Princeton Uni- versity, as instructed by the Executive Committee." (See p. 498 Ex. Com. Record "B.").....	162 70	.....
Nov. 2, 1896—Tracy Gibbs & Co., printing report blanks, class cards, letter heads, directions for students, etc.....	57 55	.....
Nov. 2, 1896—James Conklin, P. M., postage stamps.....	10 00	.....
Total	\$250 75	=====

The regents of the university of Wisconsin, to secretary board of regents, Dr.

FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES PAID AS FOLLOWS:

(Received vouchers attached to original.)

Date.	To whom, and what for.	Account of.	Sub-account.	Total.
July 1	James Conklin P. M., postal cards.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		\$14 00
	James Conklin, P. M., 1 ct wrappers.....	Printing and Advert.....		5 50
	James Conklin, P. M., Stamps.....	Univ. extension.....	Postage Sta..	5 00
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., 10 boxes catalogues.....	Printing and Advert.....		18 57
	American Express Co., package.....	Printing and Advert.....		35
2	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., box.....	Repairs.....		50
	Dennison freight delivery, load butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		75
	American Express Co., boxes.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		2 16
	United States Express Co., box.....	College Eng'g.....	Apparatus...	30
	United States Express Co., boxes.....	Ag. institute funds.....	Frt. and Ex..	53
	United States Express Co., Cats. to high school.....	Printing and Advert.....		10 61
3	Western Union Tel. Co., messages.....	General account.....		1 95
	Expense ladies hall committee, Milwaukee, July 1st.....	Ladies' hall.....		12 48
	American Express Co., box.....	Col. Letters and Sci.....	Herb. App....	1 00
6	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., packing.....	Heat and light.....		50
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., books.....	General library.....	Library.....	3 13
	American Express Co., package.....	General library.....	Library.....	2 90
	American Express Co., package.....	Heat and light.....		25
	American Express Co., package.....	Ag. institute fund.....	Frt. and Ex..	50
	American Express Co., package.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		40
	United States Express Co., package.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		25
	United States Express Co., box.....	Col. Letters and Sci.....	Apparatus....	50
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		9 00
	American Net & Twine Co.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		4 58
7	American express Co., package.....	Repairs.....		45
	American Express Co., package.....	Univ. extension.....	Print. & Adv.	1 50
7	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., box.....	Col. Letters & Sci.....	Snow App....	1 75
	C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co., mare & colt.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		9 58
	Dennison freight deliv., drayage.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		1 50
	Vermont Farm Machine Co., carriers, etc.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		17 85
8	James Conklin, P. M., registry to com. education.....	Printing & Advert.....		08
	American Express Co., box.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		35
	American Express Co., package.....	General library.....	Library.....	1 00
	C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co., apparatus.....	Col. Letters & Sci.....	Snow App....	12 50
9	American Express Co. package.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		25
	American Express Co., package.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		35
	Babcock.....	Printing & Advert.....		25
	American Express Co., cats.....	Printing & Advert.....		3 05
	United States Express Co., cats.....	Printing & Advert.....		10 00
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Observatory.....	Postage & Sta	5 00
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Administration.....	Incident'l exp	3 00
	Car fare.....	Repairs.....		56
10	C. & N. W. Ry. Co., castings.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		25
	American Express Co., package.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		40
11	United States Exp. Co., 2 packages.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		25
	American Express Co., 3 packages.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		3 05
13	American Express Co., package.....	General library.....		1 00
	American Express Co., 2 packages.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		1 55
	C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co., grate and castings.....	Repairs.....		14 20
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		49 00
14	Jessie Hart, expenses.....	Administration.....	Clerk & of. ex.	9 00
	American Express Co., paper.....	Printing & Advert.....		45
15	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Printing and advert.....		59 00
	American Ex. Co., cats, to Mil.....	Printing and advert.....		35
	American Express Co., butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		1 80
16	Dennisons, butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.....		75
	C. & N. W. Ry. Co., books.....	Univ. Extension.....	Print. & adv.	85

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(Received vouchers attached to original.)

Date.	To whom, and what for.	Account of.	Sub-account.	Total.
July 16	C. & N. W. Ry. Co., envelopes...	Printing and advert.		\$1 75
	American Express Co., paper....	Printing and advert.		45
	James Conklin, P. M., envelopes,	Univ. Extension....	Print. & adv.	22 16
17	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., (2) packages	Repairs.....		1 15
	American Express Co., box.....	Col. Letters & Sci...	Snow App....	6 40
	American Express Co., packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		40
	American Express Co., sample			
	shades.....	Ladies' Hall.....		40
	United States Express Co., cuts.	Printing and advert.		25
18	American Express Co., bands.....	General account.....		45
	American Express Co., books.....	General library.....	Library.....	65
	American Express Co., plants.....	Col. Letters & Sci...	Herb. App....	1 00
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		10 00
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe.....	Repairs.....		9 93
20	United States Ex. Co., library.....	General library.....	Library.....	75
	United States Ex. Co., samples.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		50
	American Express Co., butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		85
	American Express Co., plans to			
	Rashford.....	Ladies' Hall.....		25
	American Express Co., butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		80
	United States Ex. Co., butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		25
	Wis. Telephone Co., message.....	Ladies' Hall.....		1 00
	C. & N. W. Ry. Co., books.....	General library.....	Library.....	1 63
21	E. R. Ried, rep. boat.....	Laboratory supplies	Eng. lab. sup.	2 00
22	United States Express Co., box..	Col. Engineering...	Apparatus...	1 30
	United States Express Co., sam-			
	ples.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		30
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Ag. institute fund..	Postage & sta.	4 00
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		5 00
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Printing and advr.		16 00
23	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., apparatus...	Col. letters & Sci...	Snow App....	33 36
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., books.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		1 84
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., books.....	General library.....	Library.....	14 20
	American Express Co., apparatus	Col. engineering.....	Apparatus...	8 36
24	American Express Co., butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		2 65
	Dennison's freight delivery, but-			
	ter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		75
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., S. C. cir-			
	culars.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		2 36
	James Conklin, P. M., envelopes	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		65 40
	R. J. Harloff, oats.....	Roads and grounds..		20 53
25	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., scales.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		97
	U. S. Express Co., package.....	Printing and advr.		25
	American Express Co., appara-			
	tus.....	Col. Letters & Sci...	Apparatus...	1 65
	United States Express Co., two			
	packages.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		45
	Dennison's freight delivery, but-			
	ter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		75
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., Pipe.....	Col. engineering.....	Repairs.....	3 17
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., Pump.....	Ladies' hall.....		2 89
28	American Express Co., packages	Printing and advr.		2 68
	American Express Co., packages	Col. Letters & Sci...	Herb App....	6 60
	American Express Co., packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		35
29	American Express Co., herbs.....	Laboratory supplies	Phar. lab. sup	3 95
July 30	American Express Co., package..	Col. Letters & Sci...	Herb. App....	1 40
	American Express Co., package..	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		3 40
	U. S. Mailing Case Co., bottles...	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		93
	American Express Co., box.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		35
31	Chicago & N. W. R. R.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		1 25
Aug. 1	United States Express Co., wire			
	basket.....	Administration.....	Post'ge & Sta.	30
	American Express Co., butter.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		1 79
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., scale...	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		1 21
3	American Express Co., apparatus	Col. Engineering.....	Apparatus...	3 55
	American Express Co., apparatus	Col. Engineering.....	Apparatus...	1 00
	United States Express Co., cuts..	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		1 55
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps.....	Printing & advert.		16 00
	M. Diedrich, rope.....	Repairs.....		30
4	Western Union Telegraph Co.,			
	message.....	General account.....		25
	American Express Co., plants.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta...		65
	American Express Co., package..	Col. Letters & Sci...	Herb. App....	85

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Date.	To whom, and what for.	Account of.	Sub-account.	Total.
Aug. 4	American Express Co., package..	Printing & advert....		\$0 66
	American Express Co., slides....	Col. Engineering....	Inc. expenses	1 00
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., bulletins	Ag. Institute fund....	Print. & Adv.	89
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		30 00
5	American Express Co., package..	Col. Letters & Sci....	Herb. App....	70
	American Express Co., bulletins	Printing & Advert....		5 16
	American Express Co., butter....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		70
	American Express Co., cuts....	Col. Engineering....	Inc. expenses	25
	American Desk & Stat. Co., basket	General account....		2 25
6	American Express Co., packages..	Col. Letters & Sci....	Herb. App....	45
7	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Mi- croscopes	Laboratory supplies..	Bi. Lab. Sup.	5 75
8	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., ammuni- tion	Col. Letters & Sci....	Armory	2 23
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., cuts....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		50
	Chic., M. & St. P. Ry., fertilizers.	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		97
	Dennisons, butter	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		50
10	Car fare	Administration....	Incidental ex.	3 00
	U. S. Express Co., package....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		25
	U. S. Express Co., 2 packages....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		1 20
	U. S. Express Co., 1 package....	Observatory	Incidental ex.	14
	American Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		80
	American Express Co., box relays	Repairs		35
	C. & N. W. Ry. Co., letter heads..	Administration....	Post. & Stat.	25
	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul, castings	Repairs		50
11	American Express Co., package..	Ag. Col. & Exp. Sta....		1 50
	D. F. Conlin, moving pianos	General account....		12 00
12	D. D. Warner, merchandise....	Observatory	Incidental ex.	20
	D. D. Warner, merchandise....	Col. Letters & Sci....	Armory	75
	Wis. Cent. Ry., books	Ag. Institute fund....	Frt. & Exp....	81
	Elgin dairy report	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		78
	Chemical Pub. Co., book	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		4 75
	James Conklin, P. M., regular annual report, (Hatch)....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		20
	B. F. Orvis, cartage	Repairs		15
	Chic., Mil. & St. P. Ry. Co., ap- paratus	Col. of Engineering..	Apparatus....	1 47
	Chic., Mil. & St. P. Ry. Co., boxes	Ag. Institute fund....	Frt. & Exp....	1 03
13	Chic., & N. W. Ry., carpet	Ladies' Hall....	Furniture....	1 79
14	American Express Co., catalogue.	Printing and advert.		22
	American Express Co., catalogue.	Observatory	Print. & Adv.	25
	American Express Co., box....	Col. letters & science.	Herb. App....	1 15
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe....	Repairs		1 15
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe....	Repairs		1 64
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe....	Col. letters & science.	Snow App....	8 88
17	U. States Express Co., package..	General library		1 65
	U. S. Express Co., S. C. circulars	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		35
	American Express Co., packages.	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		40
	Dennison Freight Delivery, poles.	General account....		2 00
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., boat and tent	Col. letters & science.	Herb. App....	6 82
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., conveyor....	Ladies' hall....		25 50
	C. M. & St. Paul Ry. Co., castings	Ladies' hall....		26 22
18	C. M. & St. Paul Ry. Co., ordance store	Col. letters & science.	Armory....	2 63
	C. M. & St. Paul Ry. Co., 4 boxes glass ware	Laboratory supplies.	Bi. Lab. Sup.	4 23
	American Express Co., package..	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		30
	American Express Co., 2 packages	Printing and advert.		65
19	E. F. Riley, Sec., expenses Bara- boois, ris L. hall	Ladies' hall....	Furniture....	75
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps....	Printing and advert.		20 00
	Chi. & N. W. Ry. Co., drugs	Laboratory supplies.	Phar. Lab. S.	6 06
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		82 00
	American Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		80
	C. M. & St. P. Ry. Co., desks....	Col. letters & science.	Furniture....	25
20	American Express Co., 3 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		3 60
	American Express Co., transit....	Col. engineering....	Apparatus....	2 55
	Königliche Poozellar, apparatus.	Laboratory supplies.	Chem Lab. S	1 57
21	Chicago, M. & St. P., cartage	Ladies' Hall....		50
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe....	Ladies' Hall....		1 78
	American Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		1 15
22	American Express Co., books....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta....		90

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Date.	To whom, and what for.	Account of.	Sub-account.	Total.
Aug. 22	American Express Co., box to Paris	Col Letters & Sci.	Snow App.	\$5 15
24	American Express Co., 4 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		5 08
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		65
25	United States Express Co., box	Repairs.		1 50
	United States Express Co., box	Col. Letters & Sci.	Snow App.	1 80
	United States Express Co., box	Col. Engineering	Apparatus	1 25
	United States Express Co., 3 boxes	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		1 00
	American Express Co., boxes	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		2 16
26	American Express Co., boxes	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		1 25
	Dennison's Frt. Delivery, butter	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		50
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., tent chairs	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		2 31
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., transformers	Col. Engineering	Apparatus	25
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., box chemicals	Laboratory supplies	Ph'r. Lab. Sup	1 52
27	August Scheibel, pail	Observatory	Incidental ex.	40
	Dexter Curtis, repairs	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		50
	United States Express Co., bag	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		1 85
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., box	General Library	Library	2 49
28	American Express Co., box	Observatory	Repairs	25
	United States Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		80
29	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		30
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., boxes	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		1 34
	Chicago & N. W. Co., boxes	Ladies' Hall	Furniture	1 19
29	Peoples Despatch Co., drayage	Col. Letters & Sci.	Herb. App.	53
31	American Express Co., 4 pails	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		80
	American Express Co., package	General library	Library	2 70
	American Express Co., 3 boxes	Col. engineering	Apparatus	3 95
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Institute Fund.	Print. & Ad.	45
Sept. 1	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	Administration	Post. & Sta.	10 80
	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co., BBt soap	General account		1 06
2	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	Col. of Law	Post. & Sta.	10 00
	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co., boxes and hardware	Dean's House		1 60
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., boxes	School of Pharmacy	Apparatus	23 75
	American Express Co., bulletins	Printing & Adv.		2 20
1	Aug. 28, Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., butter color	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		65
3	American Express Co., box bells	Repairs		40
	American Express Co., rep.	Col. Engineering	Repairs	40
	United States Express Co., 2 boxes	Observatory	Apparatus	75
4	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	Printing & Adv.		10 00
	James Conklin, P. M., postage and stationery	Ag. Institute Fund.	Post. & Sta.	15 00
	American Express Co., package	Hort. building		25
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		25
	Dennison's Freight Delivery, butter	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		50
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., box	Col. Engineering	Apparatus	1 71
	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul Ry., hangers	Col. Engineering	Apparatus	1 14
	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co., general account	General account		25
	Western Union Telegraph Co., messages	Ladies' Hall		85
5	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co., sack	Ag. Col. Ex. Sta.		63
7	American express Co., bulletins	Printing & Adv.		1 54
	American Express Co., butter	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		2 16
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		35
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Institute Fund.	Post. & Sta.	25
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., packing	Repairs		53

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Date.	To whom, and what for.	Account of.	Sub-account.	Total.
Sept. 7	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., chemical apparatus	School of pharmacy.	Apparatus	\$5 07
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., pulleys	Col. Engineering.	Apparatus	35
8	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., butter tubs	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		6 80
	U. States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		25
	American Express Co., boxes (2)	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		2 51
	American Express Co.	Printing and Adver.		5 00
9	Dennison Freight Delivery, dray	Laboratory supplies.	Eng. Lab. Sup.	5 00
	U. States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		25
10	Dennison Freight Delivery, butter	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		50
	United States Express Co., box	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		30
	American Express Co., box	Col. Engineering.	Apparatus	1 00
	C. Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co., chemical apparatus	Laboratory supplies	Phar. Lab. Sup.	1 35
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	Printing and Adver.		20 00
11	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., files	Printing and Adver.		50
	Ill. Cent. Ry. Co., sack	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		50
	American Express Co., boxes	Printing and Adver.		1 20
12	C. Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co., stone	Col. Let. & Sci.	Geol. App.	1 77
	C. & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe	Ladies' Hall		1 10
	Car fare	Administration		3 00
	American Express Co., box	Laboratory supplies	Bi. Lab. Sup.	1 15
	American Express Co., package	Administration	Post & Sta.	30
14	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., measuring gauge	Col. Engineering.	Apparatus	57
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., oil and waste	Laboratory supplies	En. Lab. Sup.	2 59
	American Express Co., box	Observatory	Apparatus	65
	American Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		3 20
	United States Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		70
	C. M. & St. Paul Ry., freight on horse	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		3 60
15	C. M. & St. Paul Ry., stone machine	Laboratory supplies	En. Lab. Sup.	4 37
	American Express Co., box	Observatory	Apparatus	1 00
	American Express Co., 3 boxes	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		3 41
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	Printing & Advert.		10 00
	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		5 00
16	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., rugs	Ladies' hall	Furniture	2 41
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., milk tester	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		50
	United States Express Co.	Col. Engineering.	Apparatus	2 60
17	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., tester	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		89
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., box books	General library	Library	2 27
	Chicago & N. W. Ry. Co., rugs	Ladies' Hall	Furniture	25
	American Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		35
18	Expense secretary to Sheboygan and Chicago, furniture	Ladies' Hall	Furniture	9 75
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		70
20	James Conklin, P. M., stamps	University extension	Post. & Sta.	4 00
21	United States Express Co., 2 packages	Col. Letters & Sci.	Zoology App.	1 80
	American Express Co., 2 packages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		90
22	James Conklin, P. M., envelopes	Ag. Institute fund.	Post & Sta.	43 60
	United States Express Co., package	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		25
	age	Administration	Inc. expenses	10
	American Express Co., package	Administration	Inc. expenses	2 00
23	Wis. Tel. Co., messages	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		25
	American Express Co., package			
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., pipe and fittings	Ladies' hall		1 30
	Chic. & N. W. Ry. Co., shafting	Repairs		63
	W. C. Niebuhr, rep. chairs	Ladies' hall	Furniture	6 75
24	American Express Co., package	General library	Library	65
25	American Express Co., box	Col. Letters & Sci.	Geol. App.	60
	Wis. Tel. Co., messages	Administration	Inc. expenses	25
	Care fare	Administration	Inc. expenses	3 00
	Chi. Mil. & St. Paul Ry. Co.	Ladies' hall	Furniture	12 15
	Expense sec. to purchase furniture	Ladies' hall	Furniture	12 34

CONTINGENT EXPENSES PAID — Continued.

(Received vouchers attached to original.)

Date.	To whom, and what for.	Account of.	Sub-account.	Total.
Sept. 26	James Conklin, p. m., stamps...	Printing and advert.		\$10 00
	American Express Co., 2 packages	General library.....	Library	1 25
	American Express Co.....	Laboratory supplies.	Chem.lab. sup	2 75
	American Express Co., chairs to B. E. Co., Oshkosh.....	Ladies' hall.....	Furniture	90
	Chi. & N. W. Ry Co., 3 bbl. fire brick	Repairs		1 69
28	American Express Co., 6 boxes...	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		2 16
	Chi., Mil. & St. Paul, salt.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		79
	Chi. & N. W. Ry Co., furniture...	Ladies' hall.....	Furniture....	19 05
	Chi. & N. W. Ry Co., sheet iron...	Ladies' hall.....		65
29	Chi. & N. W. Ry Co., furniture...	Ladies' hall.....	Furniture	75
	C., M. & St. P., Ry Co., car of sheep.....	Ag. Col. & Ex. Sta.		27 00
	C., M. & St. P. Ry Co., ordnance	Col. Letters & Sci.	Armory.....	50
30	Chi. & N. W. Ry Co., car lumber.	Laboratory supplies.	Eng. lab. sup.	26 20
	Chi. & N. W. Ry Co., boxes.....	Laboratory supplies.	Eng. lab. sup.	81
				\$1,315 04

SUMMARY OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

(CHARGED TO THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS:)

Agricultural College and Experiment Station.....	\$438 56
Printing and advertising.....	232 72
University Extension.....	33 51
Repairs.....	35 63
College engineering.....	36 17
Agricultural institute fund.....	67 06
General account.....	20 21
School of pharmacy.....	28 82
Observatory.....	8 64
Heat and light.....	75
College, Letters and Science.....	97 02
Administration.....	35 00
Laboratory supplies.....	69 30
Roads and grounds.....	20 53
Ladies' hall.....	143 00
General library.....	36 27
College of law.....	10 00
Dean's house.....	1 60
Horticultural building.....	25
Total.....	\$1,315 04

Authorized and certified to the secretary of state to be correct.

E. F. RILEY,
Secretary.
B. J. STEVENS,
H. W. CHYNOWETH,
Executive Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 21, A.,

To allow Mr. Hoyt to introduce a bill relating to the state board of health.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 32, S.,

Allowing Senator Mills to introduce a bill to provide for the safe investment of school funds.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 32, S.,

Was concurred in.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menominee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Pursuant to Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,

Relating to fire and life insurance companies doing business in this state,

The speaker appointed Messrs. Merriman, Olson and McDonald on the part of the assembly as members on the joint committee of investigation.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
The vote by which bill No. 50, A., was yesterday ordered engrossed and read a third time,
Was reconsidered.
On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
Bill No. 50, A.,
Was re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455 of chapter 114 of revised statutes of 1878,

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to duties and powers of superintendents of work houses,

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers,

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, R. S., relating to garnishment proceedings in justice courts,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county Wisconsin,

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child,

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state,

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds toward the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

Was, on motion of Mr. Tucker,

Re-referred to the committee on Education.

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to commitments to the home for feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed,

Was, on motion of Mr. Ray,

Made a special order of business for tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

Was, on motion of Mr. Hall,

Re-referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 87; noes, none; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—87.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Connors, Flett, Hindes, Maertz, McDonald, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Taylor, Utt, Welch and Mr. Speaker—13.

No. 60, S.,

A bill to amend section 1364a, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to sidewalks in towns,

No. 114, S.,

A bill to amend section 2 chapter 303, laws of 1895 entitled,
"An act to provide clerks of county courts,"

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878
relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Mil
waukee county,

Was, on motion of Mr. Bullard,

Re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 22, S.:

A bill to regulate the manner in which inmates in the several
penal, reformatory and charitable state institutions may be re-
moved from one of these institutions to another,

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

For constitutional amendment relating to circuit courts,

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Resolution adding section to constitution providing for a
board of pardon,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the com-
mittee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 37, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 658, of Sanborn &
Berryman's revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating
to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and main-
tain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin,

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881,
entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing
of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169
of the laws of 1883,

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions.

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court in the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 441, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 46, A.,

A bill amending chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Gaslight company,"

No. 69, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 207, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to confer limited particular rights upon a certain class of towns,"

No. 90, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, relating to the Milwaukee Gaslight company,

No. 101, A.,

A bill to prohibit the leaving open of wells and cisterns in cities and villages,

No. 187, A.,

A bill to construe chapter 292 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1883, "An act relating to the powers of towns and town boards containing incorporated villages,"

No. 207, A.,

A bill to better protect cities, towns and counties, and pertaining to the duties of judges, justices of the peace and clerks of the court,

No. 224, A.,

A bill relating to the stay of execution on judgments of justices of the peace in proceedings by certiorari, and relating to the trial of such proceedings,

No. 301, A.,

A bill to limit the time for the commencement of actions or proceedings for the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate, and provide for the extinguishment of mortgage liens in case no such actions or proceedings are commenced within the time so limited,

No. 314, A.,

A bill to prescribe qualifications for judges of courts of record,

No. 323, A.,

A bill to detach the county of Polk from the eleventh judicial circuit and attach it to the eighth judicial circuit,

No. 363, A.,

A bill to simplify the the civil service systems in cities and define the duties of boards of city service commissioners,

No. 426, A.,

A bill regulating who shall be eligible to the election or appointment to the office of county judge,

No. 444, A.,

A bill for the relief of R. S. Houston and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

No. 512, A.,

A bill to amend section 655 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the removal of county seats,

No. 530, A.,

A bill to amend section 1862 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, authorizing street railway corporations to condemn land,

No. 549, A.

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 574, A.

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

No. 576, A.,

A bill to change the boundary line between Pierce and St. Croix counties, in the state of Wisconsin, so as to bring the first ward of the city of River Falls into Pierce county,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 188, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of the town of Iron River in Bayfield county, in the purchase of the water-works system,

Was, on motion of Mr. Staples,

Re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock tonight.

EVENING SESSION.

7:00 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 324, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Cyrus Schenk a sum of money for injuries received in the capitol disaster in 1883.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 181 of the laws of 1883, relating to the city of Columbus,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment and when so amended that it do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out in line 2 the words, "striking out" and adding after the word "state" the word "missionary." Strike out all after the word "chapter" in line 3 and add after the "state" wherever it occurs in said chapter the

word "missionary," so that when said chapter is so amended shall read as follows:

Section 1. All persons who are now, or hereafter may become members of the Wisconsin Baptist State Missionary Convention, shall be and hereby are ordained, constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Wisconsin Baptist State Missionary Convention, and by that name they and their successors shall be known in law, and shall be capable of suing and being sued, of pleading and being impleaded, of answering and being answered unto, of defending and being defended, in all suits, complaints, matters, causes, courts and places whatever, both in law and equity, of acquiring by purchase, gift or devise, or otherwise, or of holding or conveying any real, personal or mixed property, necessary, proper or expedient for the object of this incorporation; provided, that the amount of said estate shall not exceed the sum of fifty thousand (50,000) dollars.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

No. 486, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 292 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the exemption from taxation for a term of years of real estate owned by the Milwaukee medical college.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 165, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to joint school district number one (1) of the city of Black River Falls and the town of Albion in Jackson county,

No. 145, S.,

A bill to regulate the location of all public institutions in the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that they be concurred in.

No. 100, A.,

A bill repealing chapter 235, laws of 1895, establishing a board of immigration,

No. 525, A.

A bill to vacate a state road in Grant county,

With recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums,

With recommendation that it do pass.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 292, A.

A bill to regulate the publication of the proceedings of city councils in cities in which population does not exceed 5,000

No. 364, A.,

A bill to regulate the publication of proceedings of county and village boards and common councils,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with the recommendation they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

With amendment, and that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend by adding to section 1, "Providing that this act shall not apply to any bridge petitioned for previous to the 1st day of January, 1897, and the tax for which has been levied by the towns so applying."

No. 279, A.,

A bill relating to county officers and to amend section 656 and subsection 7 of section 669 of the revised statutes,

With the recommendation it do pass.

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed bills:

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 509 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways,

Memorial to Congress, No. 4, A.,

Requesting congress to pass house representative bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks of the United States railway mail service.

No. 455, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 1, chapter 425, laws of 1889, relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk,

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health,

No. 37, A.,

A bill authorizing Price county to issue bonds for certain purposes.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The above bills were referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 150, A.,

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into this state, or in the manufacture and sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material; to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations designed, or which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or article to producer or consumer of any such product or article; to provide for forfeiture in the charter and franchise of any corporation organized under the laws of this state, violating any of the provisions of this act; to prohibit every foreign corporation, violating any of the provisions of this act, from doing business in this state; to require the attorney general of this state to institute legal proceedings against any such corporations violating the provisions of this act, and to enforce the penalties prescribed; to prescribe penalties for any violations of this act; to authorize any person or corporation, damaged by any such trust, agreement, or combination, to sue for the recovery of such damage and for other purposes,

No. 328, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1197 to 1210, inclusive, relating to proceedings to bar original owners where tax deeds have issued,

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend section 2918 of revised statutes, relating to costs in equitable actions and special proceedings.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed,

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law,

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors.

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

With amendment, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justice's courts and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

With amendment in the form of a substitute bill, with the recommendation that the substitute bill do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 330, A., is as follows:

Amend by striking out in the first and second lines of section 2 of the printed bill, the words "its passage and publication" and substituting in place thereof the words "the first day of May, A. D. 1897."

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 488, A.,

A bill relating to liens on grain and seeds,

No. 354, A.,

A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed,

No. 192, A.,

A bill for the taxation of dogs,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products,

With amendment, and recommend that the same do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section one, seventh line, by inserting " seed " after the word " flax. " Amend same section, eleventh line, by inserting the words " pounds of " after the word " and. " Amend same section, twelfth line, by inserting the words " or pounds " after the word " bushels. " Amend same section, thirteenth line, by inserting after the word " Tobacco " the words " and flax fiber " and by striking out the word " and " occurring between the words " hops " and " tobacco. ".

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203, of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and care of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, of the laws of 1883, entitled, " An act relating to the organization of corporations for the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, asylums, or institutions for the care, treatment or relief of insane or feeble-minded persons, and amendatory of chapter 86 of the revised statutes, entitled, ' Of the organization of corporations, ' "

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, " An act to amend section 752, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorneys, "

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to appealable orders,

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies,

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes as amended by subdivision 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county, on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section number seven, in township number seven north, of range four west,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils or petroleum and petroleum products for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 288 of the laws of 1881 and chapter 158 of the laws of 1883, and chapter 440 of the laws of 1889,

No. 157, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to the county court of Winnebago county,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal corrections as reported by committee were adopted.

The committee on Legislative Expenditures, to whom was referred:

No. 65, S.,

A bill to authorize the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes to employ a clerk and a stenographer, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same back with an amendment, with the recommendation that the same be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section one of said bill by inserting after the word "day," in the eighth line of said section, and before the word "the," in the ninth line of said section, the following: "The compensation for services of such stenographer to commence

from date of employment by the committee, viz.: February 2, 1897, and of each of said clerks from and after their appointment subsequent to the passage and taking effect of this act."

WILLIAM HUGHES,
Chairman pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Rutherford,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 26, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Father Knox offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Church, Dresser, Flett, Lange, Maertz, McDonald, Mosher, Olson, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Welch, Wipperman and Wolfinger—14.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Sheffer, McDonald, Church, Dresser, Wipperman, Lange, Welch, Wolfinger, Maertz, Olson, Mosher and Flett, for this session.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 462, A.,

Petition favoring passage of bills No. 98, S., and 159, A., relating to the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 463, A.,

Petition of J. O. Williams and forty-five others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 464, A.,

Petition of D. G. Jones and twenty others, in favor of the passage of Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., relating to the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 465, A.,

Petition of A. L. Jones and others, of Dodgeville, favoring the passage of Nos. 98, S., and 159, A., relating to the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 466, A.,

Petition of Oscar Fowles and thirty others from Dunn county, asking for the passage of No. 159, A., relating to Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 467, A.,

Petition of D. L. Brainard and eighteen others, for the passage of bill No., 98, S., "Authorizing a statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Morgan:

Pet. No. 468, A.,

Petition of J. H. Carpenter and sixteen others, favoring the bill authorizing the erection of the Fairchild statue.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 469, A.,

Petition of George T. Bennett and twenty-two others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 470, A.,

Petition of twenty-two citizens of Dallas, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Utt:

Pet. No. 471, A.,

Petition of William Chandler and thirty-nine others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 472, A.,

Petition of M. C. Hobart and sixteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 473, A.,

Petition favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 474, A.,

Petition of C. D. Bacon and twenty others, favoring the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 475, A.,

Petition of the First Baptist church of Madison, for the passage of bill No. 506, A., relating to sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 476, A.,

Remonstrance of John W. Hudson and forty-one others, of Madison against the passage of bill No. 245, S., relating to drainage corporations.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 477, A.,

Petition of John W. Hudson and thirty-nine others, of the city of Madison, asking for the repeal of chapter 383, of the laws of 1889, providing for the drainage of certain lands in Dane county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 478, A.,

A petition favoring passage of bill No. 235, A., (medical bill).

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 479, A.,

Petition of Z. R. Spears, M. D. and fifty-six others, favoring the passage of bill regulating the practice of medicine.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Buttles:

Pet. No. 480, A.,

Remonstrance of P. W. Mahoney and one hundred others, against passage of bill creating a municipal court in and for LaCrosse county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 481, A.,

Petition signed by residents of Forest county, relating to the game law.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 482, A.,

Remonstrance from Rev. P. A. Schleier and 107 others, against the passage of resolution for the removal of Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 483, A.,

Remonstrance against the recall of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills in Their Third Reading to whom was referred:

No. 37, A.,

A bill authorizing Price county to issue bonds for certain purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment and recommend that the same do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

In section 3. Strike out the second word so that the bill shall read: "Whosoever violates the provisions of this act."

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing.

Report the same back with a substitute, and ask that the substitute be printed and placed on the files of each member of the assembly and senate before they act upon it.

FRANK A. ANSON,

Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 381, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 19, laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of vessel property.

No. 33, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and when so amended recommend its passage,

Messrs. Staples, Polley and Polacheck dissenting on the bill and amendment.

The proposed amendment, to bill No. 32, A., is as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

"Section 1. Chapter 19, of the laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 283, laws of 1895, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication."

N. B. TREAT,

Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

We, the undersigned members of the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft,

Make the following report and ask for the indefinite postponement of said bill believing the passage would be injurious and harmful to the best interests of our state.

CHAS. POLACHECK,
K. G. STAPLES,
HORACE N. POLLEY.

COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS.

We the undersigned misunderstood the purport of bill No. 32, A., and hereby petition the committee to recommend to indefinitely postpone the same.

C. NISS, JR.,
F. A. ANSON,
B. A. EATON,
JOHN F. BURNHAM,
C. H. WELCH,
H. O. REINNOLDT,
C. N. FRINK,
AUG. M. GAWIN,
CHAS. POLACHECK.

Mr. Yorkey moved that bills No. 32 and 33, A., reported by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes be recommended to the committee on Cities.

On a division of the house the motion was lost.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred that portion of the governor's message which relates to the condition of the general fund of the state treasury, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report herewith a bill, entitled, "A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898."

The committee desires here to record its entire approval of the action of the executive in communicating to the legislature

the condition of the treasury. It is a matter about which there should be neither concealment nor makeshifts. The people are entitled to know accurately, and fully at all times the condition of public affairs. This is a government of the people, public officials are but servants of the people, and the people should be kept fully advised by them of every essential phase of the public business.

The committee fully agrees with the conclusion of the governor that state officials cannot under the constitution lawfully involve the state in indebtedness by overdrafts at banks with or without interest. It is difficult to see how state officials can lawfully *agree* with any bank to keep for any period, definite or indefinite, state funds on deposit without interest.

A system or course of administration which can only protect the treasury by such arrangements with banks, or by exacting from railroad companies the payment of moneys not due to the state, is at once humiliating and indefensible. The railroad companies are the creatures of the state. Under the constitution the state has the power to alter and even to repeal their charters, and because of this relation a *request* for an advance is equivalent to a *demand* for an advance.

Your committee agrees with the governor that it is altogether out of harmony with the spirit of our people that the credit of Wisconsin shall be dependent upon the *favor* of either banks or railroad companies.

No obligation payable out of the general fund should be outstanding at any time unless there is or is to be in the general fund under the operation of the laws of the state, ample funds, belonging to the people, with which to meet it. When it is apparent that there will be a deficiency, or that through some unforeseen contingency a deficiency has arisen, the necessary state tax should be promptly levied for the purpose of making and keeping good the general fund. It was for this purpose the power of taxation was vested by the constitution in the legislature. The framers of the constitution clearly foresaw emergencies in this respect, and with wise forethought provided, by section 5 of article 8, for meeting them.

The present situation is the result of departure from this principle, and the legislature should long since have guarded against it by proper legislation. We should do so now.

It is quite certain that the people are not willing that this commonwealth shall be compelled to adopt the methods of a harassed debtor, and "go shinning" for money with which to avert the discredit of insolvency.

It is not absolutely certain at this time just how much money will be required to make good the general fund. It is certain, however, that the taxpayers of the state are not only willing but anxious to furnish the money with which to pay the debts of the state. If any evidence of this popular sentiment were

required, it is abundantly furnished by the favorable comments which the frank and prompt action of the governor in the premises has evoked.

The committee report the accompanying bill, entitled as above set forth, with the recommendation that the same do pass.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By committee on State Affairs:

No. 629, A.,

A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898.

To committee on Claims.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted and asks the concurrence of the assembly in

Jt. Res., No. 33, S.,

Allowing Sen. Woodworth to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

For the appointment of a joint committee to examine figures furnished under Jt. Res. No. 9, S., and to examine into the needs of such expenditures and conduct of the university administration,

And has concurred in

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturers' Bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

And has amended and concurred in as amended,

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 33, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment to bill No. 9, A., as follows:

Amend section 2 by striking out the words in the second line "a sum of money sufficient" and insert in lieu thereof the words, "twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.)" so that the section when amended shall read as follows:

Section 2. There is also appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500) to pay all current expenses of the Wisconsin Home for the Feeble Minded until further provision shall be made by law therefor.

Was concurred in.

The ayes and noes being required, the vote was as follows: Ayes, 65; noes, none; absent or not voting, 35.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosencrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone. Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, White, Wolf, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—65.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Church, Connors, Dresser, Flett, Frink, Goodell, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, Mosher, Olson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, Wiperman and Wolfinger—35.

SPECIAL ORDER.

No 209, A.,

A bill relating to commitments to the home for feeble minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed.

Mr. Ray offered the following amendment:

Amend section 7 by adding after the word "investigation" in line 4.

"Such examination to be made in the institution where such patient has been confined, and the examination shall be made by the physician in charge."

Which was adopted.
The bill as amended,
Was read a third time and passed.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 37, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 658, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued,

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private insane asylums,

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend sections 7 and 20 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses,

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 281 of the laws of 1881,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752, relating to district attorney,"

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin relating to appealable orders,

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgments of written instruments,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

Mr. D. F. Jones offered the following amendment to

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies.

Amendment to bill No. 241, A., insert after the word "shall" in the first line of section 3 and before the word "upon" in the second line of section 3 the words 'be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and."

Which was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Bullard offered the following amendment, to the title of No. 157, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to Winnebago county court.

Amend title of bill No. 157, A., so as to read as follows: "A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to the municipal court for the city of Oshkosh, and county of Winnebago."

Which was adopted.

The bill as amended was then read a third time and passed.

No. 22, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner in which inmates in the several penal, reformatory and charitable state institutions may be removed from one of these institutions to another,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

For constitutional amendment relating to circuit courts.

The ayes and noes being required the joint resolution was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 67; noes, none; absent or not voting 33.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wolff, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—77.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Church, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Feige, Flett, Lange, Maertz, McDonald, Mosher, Olson, Reynolds, Sether, Sheffer, Sicker, Smith D. K., Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Wolter—23.

Pursuant to Jt. Res. No. 9, A., providing for a joint special committee to investigate the affairs of the state university,

The speaker appointed the following members on the part of the assembly:

Messrs. Buffington, Hall and Lewis.

Mr. Stanley moved that the assembly adjourn until 8:30 o'clock Monday night.

On a division of the house,
The motion was carried.

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Eggen offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—77.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Church, Connors, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Merriman, Parker, Plummer, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Thompson, Webster, Welch, Wipperman, and Wolfinger.—23.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Church, Connors, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, D. F. Jones, Klabunde, Merriman, Parker, Plummer, Rutherford, Sheffer, D. K. Smith, Stanley, Staples, Thompson, Webster, Welch, Wipperman and Wolfinger, for this session.

To Mr. Pratt after this session until next Wednesday.

The journal of Friday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 484, A.,
Remonstrance of George W. Howe and sixty-three others,
against Marquette memorial.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 485, A.,
Remonstrance of Rev. Bernard Wierconski and fifty-two
others, against removal of Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 486, A.,
Remonstrance of David Mulloney and forty-one others, against
removal of statue of Pere Marquette.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 487, A.,
Remonstrance of many citizens of South Kaukauna, against re-
moval of the statue of Pere Marquette.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 488, A.,
Remonstrance of Rev. Thos. Fagan and others, against re-
moval of statue of Pere Marquette.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 489, A.,
Petition of Rev. M. Wryn and seventy-five others, against
the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 490, A.,
Protest of voters of Oconto county, against removal of Pere
Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 491, A.,
Petition of H. F. Fairchilds and thirty-nine others, against
removal of Pere Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 492, A.,

Petition against removal of the Pere Marquette statue, from James F. Elliot and fifty-five others.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 493, A.,

Remonstrance of F. G. Untrant and thirty-seven others against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Utt:

Pet. No. 494, A.,

Petition of A. W. Husting and fifty-one others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 495, A.,

Petition of Wm. Rosenbush and nineteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 496, A.,

Petition of J. M. Estes and forty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 497, A.,

Petition of F. E. Parkinson and eighty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 498, A.,

Petition of Capt. E. A. Earnshaw and sixty-two others, in favor memorial to congress No. 3, A.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 499, A.,

Petition of F. M. Guernsey and fifteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 500, A.,

Petition of H. A. Howard and fifteen others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of General Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 501, A.,

Petition of George Randall and twenty others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 502, A.,

Petition of forty-two citizens, of Verona, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Peterson:

Pet. No. 503, A.,

Petition of twenty-two citizens, of Belmont, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Davidson:

Pet. No. 504, A.,

Petition of F. T. Hobbs and twenty-one others, in favor of the bill authorizing the statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 505, A.,

Petition of Alex. Ivey and twenty-two others, in favor of bill authorizing statue of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 506, A.,

Petition of H. H. Suhr and twelve others, in favor of the bill authorizing the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette, and substitution of the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 507, A.,

Petition of R. C. Oldenberg and others, in favor of the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reinnoldt: (By request.)

Pet. No. 508, A.,

Petition of Herman Hosch and forty-two others of Milwaukee, praying for the removal of Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 509, A.,

Petition of H. F. Craft, H. Danishefsky and forty-three others of Milwaukee, praying for the removal of Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Feige:

Pet. No. 510, A.,

Petition of Theo. J. Ware and thirty-one others, praying for the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 511, A.,

Remonstrance of R. L. Hoskin and one hundred and twenty-eight others of the city of Barron, against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A., to regulate rate of fare on the Minneapolis & Sault Ste. Marie railway.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 512, A.,

Remonstrance of F. M. Simpson and nine others, of the village of Canton, against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 532, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 513, A.,

Remonstrance of L. B. Sampson and twenty-five others, of the village of Cameron, against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 532, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 514, A.,

Remonstrance of Chris. Herrick and fifteen others, of the village of Lehigh, against the passage of assembly bills No. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 515, A.,

Petition of H. C. Pennohomme and twenty-one others, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 516, A.,

Petition from citizens of Appleton, Outagamie county, favoring passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 517, A.,

Petition of Jacob C. Meyer and thirty-one others, of Appleton, Outagamie county, asking the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 518, A.,

Petition of C. J. Melass and seventy others, of the city of Stoughton, praying for effective medical legislation.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 519, A.,

Petition of W. P. Sherry and two hundred others, of Phillips, Wis., praying for passage of bill No. 235, A., known as the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 520, A.,

Petition of J. V. Canavan and fourteen others from Appleton, Outagamie county, asking for the passage of a bill to regulate the practice of medicine.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 521, A.,

Petition of G. H. Ely and twenty-five others from Mauston, Wis., for the passage of a bill to regulate the practice of medicine.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 522, A.,

Petition from three hundred and twenty-five citizens of Superior, Wis., against the practice of medical quackery.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Buttles:

Pet. No. 523, A.,

Remonstrance of F. J. Bates and seventy-five others, against bill No. 200, relating to municipal court in and for the county of La Crosse.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 524, A.,

Petition of E. Frank Beals and seventy-seven others, of Milwaukee, in favor of bill No. 119, S., relating to the employment of prisoners confined in the prisons of this state.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 525, A.,

Petition of Henry H. Earle and fifty-five others, of Eagle, in favor of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 526, A.,

Petition of Wm. A. Jones and sixty-five others, of Cambria, in favor of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 527, A.,

Petition of county board of Outagamie county, in favor of making the office of register of deeds a salaried office.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 528, A.,

Petition of J. J. Goetz and others, favoring a license to hunt game and the propagation of up-land game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 529, A.,

Petition of E. W. Brown and one hundred and twenty-seven others, prohibiting net fishing in Lakes Winnebago, Butte des Mortes, Winneconne, Poygan and Wolf River.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Pratt:

Pet. No. 530, A.,

Petition in favor of the Lewis bill (580, A.), to require and regulate primary elections for office, by the citizens of Pierce and St. Croix counties.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 531, A.,

Remonstrance of M. A. Aylward and thirty-six others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 532, A.,

Remonstrance of J. E. Vertesgen and forty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 533, A.,

Remonstrance of John P. Merline and twenty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Barnum:

Pet. No. 534, A.,

Remonstrance of A. M. Fox and twenty-six others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 535, A.,

Remonstrance of A. J. Zieteler and twenty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 536, A.,

Remonstrance of Jos. F. Cuddey and twenty-two others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hogan:

Pet. No. 537, A.,

Remonstrance of Henry May and thirty-eight others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 538, A.,

Remonstrance of Vincent McKinnon and sixty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 539, A.,

Remonstrance of James Cooney and seventy-four others, against the passage of the fraternal features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 540, A.,

Remonstrance of Edward A. Canavan and sixty-seven others, against the passage of the fraternal features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 541, A.,

Remonstrance of Wm. Lees and sixth-eight others, against the passage of the fraternal features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 509 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 4, A.,

Memorial to congress, requesting congress to pass house of representatives bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks of the United States railway mail service,

No. 455, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 1, chapter 425, laws of 1889, relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk,

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 452, of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 247, S.,

A bill authorizing the common council of cities to change the number and boundaries of wards by ordinances.

And has concurred in

No. 1, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152, laws of 1852, entitled "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Orphan Asylum as amended by chapter 10 of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Orphan Asylum,'" approved March 24, 1852,

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors.

And has appointed

Senators Baxter and Mayer on the part of the senate on the joint committee provided for by

Jt. Res. No. 11, A.,
Relating to fire and life insurance companies doing business in this state, and

Senators Withee and Whitehead on the part of the senate on the joint committee as provided for by

Jt. Res. No. 9, A.,

For the appointment of a joint committee to examine figures furnished under Jt. Res. No. 9, S., and to examine into the needs of such expenditures and conduct of the university administration.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 23, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 247, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Cities.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

To amend the constitution relating to the census,

Was, on motion of Mr. Hall,

Laid over until next Wednesday, and to go on the calendar in its regular order.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 65, S.,

A bill to authorize the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes to employ a clerk and a stenographer and making an appropriation therefor.

On a division of the assembly,

The senate amendments were concurred in.

The, bill as amended,

Was then ordered to a third reading.

No. 145, S.,

A bill to regulate the location of all public institutions in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 165, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to joint school district number one of the city of Black River Falls and the town of Albion, in Jackson county,

Jt. Res. No. 21, S.,

Relating to the semi-centennial of the admission of the state of Wisconsin into the Union,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Minch,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1897.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Eggen offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—87.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Buffington, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Pratt, Rutherford, Sether, Scheffer, Sieker, Welsh and Wolfinger—13.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Buffington, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, D. F. Jones, Klabunde, Pratt, Rutherford, Welch and Wolfinger for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 542, A.,

Remonstrance of J. Craite and one hundred and twenty-one others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Cashin:

Pet. No. 543, A.,

Remonstrance of John W. Glennon and twenty-nine others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 544, A.,

Remonstrance of J. B. Webb and eleven others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 545, A.,

Remonstrance of T. G. Raitt and seventy others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Davidson:

Pet. No. 546, A.,

Remonstrance of Chas. P. Cherrier and thirty-three others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hogan:

Pet. No. 547, A.,

Remonstrance of C. O. F., St. Paul court, No. 518, and thirty-seven others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 548, A.,

Remonstrance of G. H. Landreman and sixty-five others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 549, A.,

Remonstrance of A. W. Dolan and sixty-seven others, against passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 550, A.,

Remonstrance of John A. Morris and sixty others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 551, A.,

Remonstrance of J. C. Underwood and twenty-two others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 552, A.,

Remonstrance of P. A. Bowman and seventy-one others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 553, A.,

Petition of G. H. Cross and seventy-six others, in favor of bill authorizing the Rusk statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 554, A.,

Petition of Wm. Gerhard and thirty-two others, in favor of the bill authorizing the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 555, A.,

Petition of O. Harloff and others, asking that the statue of Gen. J. M. Rusk be placed in statuary hall at Washington.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 556, A.,

Petition of Chas. S. Lane and twenty others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 557, A.,

Petition of L. C. Looklin and seventeen others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 558, A.,

Petition of T. L. Newton and one hundred and seventy-two others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 559, A.,

Petition of J. H. Palmer and sixty-eight others, in favor of placing the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk in statuary hall.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Krauss:

Pet. No. 560, A.,

Remonstrance of a number of principals of the Milwaukee public schools, against bill No. 483, A., relating to school principals.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 561, A.,

Petition of the Federated Trades council of Milwaukee, for the passage of medical bill No. 235, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 562, A.,

Petition of Dr. John Hund and forty-four others, for the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 563, A.,

Petition of the women's praying bands of Madison, of four hundred members, in favor of the passage of bill No. 470, A.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 564, A.,

Petition of W. S. Hamilton and others, favoring a license fee for non-resident hunters and favoring the propagation of upland game by the state.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 565, A.,

Remonstrance of Frank Stout and one hundred and twenty-two others, against using nets while fishing in Lakes Winnebago, Buttes des Mortes, Winneconne and Poygan and in Wolf river.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 566, A.,

Petition of Charles Smith and others, favoring a license fee for non resident hunters and favoring the propagation of up-land game by the state.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Maertz:

Pet. No. 567, A.,

Petition of Bruno Mueller and nineteen others, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 568, A.,

Petition of A. E. Fritz and twenty others, favoring the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 569, A.,

Remonstrance against bill No. 422, A., creating a municipal court for Wood county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 570, A.,

Remonstrance against bill No. 422, A., creating a municipal court for Wood county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas: (By request.)

Pet. No. 571, A.,

Remonstrance of John King and eight legal voters of the village of Warren, Chippewa county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332 and 523.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas: (By request.)

Pet. No. 572, A.,

Remonstrance of James Clark and twenty-five legal voters of the village of Weyerhaeuser, Chippewa county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas: (By request.)

Pet. No. 573, A.,

Remonstrance of Fred J. Otis and thirteen legal voters of the village of Apollonia, Chippewa county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas: (By request.)

Pet. No. 574, A.,

Remonstrance of W. O. Prescott and fifty-three legal voters of the village of Glen Flora, Chippewa county, Wis., against the passage of bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Thomas: (By request.)

Pet. No. 575, A.,

Remonstrance of J. E. Stanley and nine legal voters of the village of Bruce, Chippewa county, Wisconsin, against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A. and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 576, A.,

Remonstrance of R. J. Winton and eleven legal voters of Kenan, Price county, Wisconsin, against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 577, A.,

Remonstrance of Paul Filzen and thirty-two legal voters of Osceola Mills, Polk Co., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 578, A.,

Remonstrance of Chas. B. Clark and twenty-five legal voters of the village of Dresser Junction, Polk Co., Wis., against the passage of assembly bills No. 332, A. and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 579, A.,

Remonstrance of John Hallquist and seventy-six legal voters of the village of Deronda, Polk county, Wisconsin, against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 580, A.,

Remonstrance of Manfred Smith and one hundred and thirteen

legal voters, of the village of Amery, Polk county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills No. 332, A., and 523, A.
To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 581, A.,

Remonstrance of C. J. Benson and sixty-one legal voters of the village of Prentice, Price Co., Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 582, A.,

Remonstrance of Geo. Marshall and thirty-two legal voters of the village of Woodboro, Oneida county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 583, A.,

Remonstrance of Stanley Rayner and twenty-three legal voters, of the city of Pennington, Oneida county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332 and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 584, A.,

Remonstrance of John W. Kelley and twelve legal voters of the village of Tomahawk Junction, Oneida county, Wis., against the passage of assembly bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 585, A.,

Remonstrance of S. H. Ashton and twenty-eight business men of the city of Rhineland, Oneida county, Wisconsin, against the passage of assembly bills No. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Maertz:

Pet. No. 586, A.,

Petition of Carl J. Schnedt, favoring the passage of bill No. 223, A., relating to practice of medicine.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 587, A.,

Petition from the republican county committee of Milwaukee, favoring amendment to election and caucus laws.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 588, A.,

Petition of the Federated Trades Council, for the repeal of the struck jury law.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 589, A.,

Petition of county board of Outagamie county, asking that the office of register of deeds be salaried.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 590, A.,

Petition of the Federated Trades Council, for the passage of bill No. 235, A., known as the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 591, A.,

Petition of G. H. Cross and sixty-eight other citizens of Superior, praying for the passage of memorial to congress No. 3, A., for the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Maertz:

Pet. No. 592, A.,

Petition of G. J. Pelligrin and seventy-one others, of Manitowoc Co., against the recall of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 593, A.,

Remonstrance from Rev. Wm. Dekelver and sixty others of Winnebago Co., against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 594, A.,

Remonstrance signed by a number of the principals of the Milwaukee public schools, against bill No. 483, A.

To committee on Education.

By Mr. Buckstaff:

Pet. No. 595, A.,

Protest against passage of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 596, A.,

Petition of John Dun and twenty other legal voters of Gene-

see, Wisconsin, praying for the passage of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool selling and bookmaking.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 597, A.,

Petition of L. M. Squire and seventy-five other citizens of Poynette, Wis., praying for the passage of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 598, A.,

Petition of W. A. Pesso and fifty-six other citizens of Wood county, asking for the passage of bill No. 235, A., known as the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 599, A.,

Protest of fraternal societies against the adoption of senate bill No. 10, known as the "insurance code," so far as it relates to fraternal societies.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buckstaff:

Pet. No. 600, A.,

Petition of M. H. Atwood, relating to university products.

To committee on Education.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hall:

Jt. Res. No. 22, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That W. A. Jones be permitted to introduce a bill amending chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, amending section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correct assembly bills:

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective,

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day,"

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, of laws of 1895, entitled "an act to authorize counties containing over one hundred thousand inhabitants to acquire by gift, purchase or condemnation, toll roads situate therein and to issue bonds for that purpose,"

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 2, A., M. C.,

Memorial to congress requesting consideration and the passage of senate bill 3058, now pending in congress,

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin,

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions,

No. 441, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 113, S.,

A bill to authorize cities in certain cases to divide unpaid street and sewer assessments into installments, and give time for the payment thereof, to facilitate the funding of municipal indebtedness and for other purposes,

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 34, S.,

Authorizing governor to have control of office rooms in capitol,

Jt. Res. No. 35, S.,

Authorizing Senator Welton to introduce a bill,

Jt. Res. No. 36, S.,

To allow Senator Riordan to introduce a bill, authorizing Wm. J. Walsh et al., their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across the Wisconsin river in Vilas county, Wis.

And has concurred in

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills, in certain cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county."

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal courts and police court of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 113, S.,

Was referred to committee on Cities.

Jt. Res. No. 34, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Jt. Res. Nos. 35 and 36, S.,

Were severally concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 74, A.,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways,

No. 455, A.,

A bill relating to fines for the sale of unmerchandise or adulterated milk,

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 7, in township 7 north, of range 4 west,

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health,

Mem. to Congress No. 4, A.,

For the passage of H. R. bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks in the United States railway mail service,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 145, S.,

A bill to regulate the location of all public institutions in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 165, S.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to joint school district number one (1) of the city of Black River Falls and the town of Albion in Jackson county,

Jt. Res. No. 21, S.,

Relative to the semi-centennial of the admission of Wisconsin into the union,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 65, S.,

A bill to authorize the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes to employ a clerk and a stenographer, and making an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 66; noes, 12; absent or not voting, 22.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller and Wolter—66.

Noes—Messrs. Cashin, Davidson, Eaton, Gawin, Lange, Maertz, Minch, Parker, Risum, Schellenberg, Wylie and Yorkey—12.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Buffington, Clack, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Merriman, Olson, Plummer, Pratt, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Utt, Welch, Wolfinger and Mr. Speaker—22.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 279, A.,

A bill relating to county officers and to amend section 656 and subsection 7 of section 669 of the revised statutes,

Mr. Merrill moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on State Affairs.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

No. 100, A.,

A bill repealing chapter 235, laws of 1895, establishing a board of immigration,

No. 150, A.,

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importa-

tion or sale of articles imported into this state, or in the manufacture and sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material; to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations designed, or which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or article to producer or consumer of any such product or article; to provide for forfeiture in the charter and franchise of any corporation organized under the laws of this state, violating any of the provisions of this act; to prohibit every foreign corporation, violating any of the provisions of this act, from doing business in this state; to require the attorney general of this state to institute legal proceedings against any such corporations violating the provisions of this act, and to enforce the penalties prescribed; to prescribe penalties for any violations of this act; to authorize any person or corporation, damaged by any such trust, agreement, or combination, to sue for the recovery of such damage and for other purposes,

No. 192, A.,

A bill for the taxation of dogs,

No. 292, A.

A bill to regulate the publication of the proceedings of city councils in cities in which population does not exceed 5,000,

No. 324, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Cyrus Schenk a sum of money for injuries received in the capitol disaster in 1883,

No. 328, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1197 to 1210, inclusive, relating to proceedings to bar original owners where tax deeds have issued,

No. 354, A.,

A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed,

No. 364, A.,

A bill to regulate the publication of proceedings of county and village boards and common councils,

No. 384, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 181 of the laws of 1883, relating to the city of Columbus,

No. 486, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 292 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the exemption from taxation for a term of years of real estate owned by the Milwaukee medical college

No. 488, A.,

A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed,

No. 525, A.

A bill to vacate a state road in Grant county,

No. 33, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steam boats, vessels and other water craft,

No. 381, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 19, laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of vessel property,

No. 329, A.,

A bill to amend section 2918 of revised statutes, relating to costs in equitable actions and special proceedings,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges.

Mr. Goodell moved that the bill be re-committed to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Stanley moved as an amendment to motion of Mr. Goodell, that the bill be re-referred to the committee on Town and County Organization,

Which motion was carried.

The motion of Mr. Goodell as amended was then carried.

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law,

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums,

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on corporations, to

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

Mr. Agen offered the following amendment,

No. 533, A., is hereby amended as follows:

In section 3, by striking out all of said section after the word "after," in the first line of said section, and inserting in the place thereof the words "July first, 1897," so that when so amended it shall read as follows: "Section 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July first, 1897,"

Which was adopted.

The bill as, amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Agriculture, to No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

With proposed substitute,

Was, on motion of Mr. Polacheck,

Re-committed to the committee on Cities.

The amendments offered by the committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

Were adopted.

Mr. Wheeler offered the following amendment:

Strike out after the word "ice" in the third line of section 1 of the printed bill the words "cut, harvested or manufactured from any river, stream, branch, lake or pond within or without this state;" and from the same section all after the word "substance," in the fifth line of the printed bill, so that section 1, when so amended, shall read as follows:

Section 1. No person, firm, company or corporation shall sell or offer for sale, or cause the same to be done within this state,

for domestic, culinary or drinking purposes, any ice which contains mud, decayed vegetation or animal matter, foreign matter or malarial substance.

On motion of Mr. Flagg,

The bill, with proposed amendments,

Was re-referred to the committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justices' courts and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Hindes moved to adjourn.

Mr. Hurd moved as an amendment that the assembly take a recess until 7:30 o'clock to-night,

Which motion was carried.

The motion of Mr. Hindes, as amended,

Was then carried.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 601, A.,

Petition of George D. Bigelow and eighteen others, for the passage of bill No. 506, A., relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 602, A.,

Petition of W. J. Donald and others, for the passage of bill No. 506, A., relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 603, A.,

Remonstrance of A. A. Du Mez. against bill No. 370, A., relating to the repeal of the pharmacy and other laws.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 604, A.,

Remonstrance of the Federated Trades Council, against the bill to abolish convict labor.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 605, A.,

Petition of the Federated Trades Council in favor of the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By the committee on State Affairs:

Jt. Res. No. 23, A.,

In reference to a portion of the governor's message relating to the provision of additional vault room in the capitol building, for the better security of the public records and making an appropriation to defray cost of plans.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 130, S.,

A bill to amend section 1195, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, " Timber on land sold counties not to be cut,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 610, A.,

A bill to detach certain lands from the village of South Milwaukee and attach the same to the town of Oak Creek in Milwaukee county,

With the recommendation that it be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

So re-referred.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experimental station, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it do pass.

No. 526, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1643, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, of the general laws of the state of Wisconsin, and amendments thereto, relating to state aid for agricultural societies,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

B. A. EATON,

Chairman.

No. 368, A., was referred to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred:

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize Joseph Mardin, Jr., his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan in Door county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

O. L. ROSENKRANS,

Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 3, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and narcotics,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

W. T. LEWIS,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 172, S.,

A bill relating to auctions and auctioneers, and amendatory of section 1590, of chapter 68, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 305, A.,

A bill to repeal section 4398 of the revised statutes of this state, relating to the use of abusive language

No. 484, A.,

A bill to amend section 119 of the revised statutes, relating to the contents of the blue book,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred,

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 93, A.,

A bill regulating the propelling of steam engines on highways in cities and villages.

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 21, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 379 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for the year 1857, providing for the vacation of certain streets in the city of Milwaukee,

No. 48, S.,

A bill fixing the amount of money to be kept on hand in the treasury of cities of the first class,

With the recommendation that they be concurred in.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 54, laws of 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal a portion of chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with a substitute and recommend the adoption and passage of the substitute.

The amendment in form of a substitute is as follows:

A bill to repeal chapter 101 of the laws of 1895.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 101, of the laws for the year 1895, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 66, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court in the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state.

CHAS. CLACK,
Chairman pro tem.

The above bills were referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes relating to the assessment of property,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and recommend its passage when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 by adding thereto the following:

"Provided that all real estate belonging to any school district, town, village, city, county, state, or to the general government, shall not be entered upon the assessment roll as herein provided for other property exempt from taxation."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 30, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, relating to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases,

No. 39, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act in relation to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases,"

No. 177, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 725, of the revised statutes of the state, relating to the duties of sheriff,

No. 266, A.,

A bill permitting the wife to testify in certain cases,

No. 319, A.,

A bill relating to notice by publication in cases affecting real estate, and amendatory of section 4045 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 395, laws of 1887,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, balls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given.

No. 589, A.,

A bill to abolish the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 302. A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence,

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

With amendments, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Bill No. 302, A., is amended as follows: In the second line of section 1 of the printed bill by striking out the words "are hereby legalized, so that the same," and inserting in place thereof the words "as they now exist," and in the third line of said section by inserting after the word "evidence" the words "of all such marriages, births and deaths."

Section 2 when amended shall be as follows: Section 2. Nothing herein shall be construed as making the county of Grant liable for fees or compensation for the entries of such marriages, births and deaths as the same are now recorded.

Section 2 of the printed bill shall be section 3 of the amended bill.

No. 135, A., is amended as follows: In the fourteenth line of section 1 of the printed bill, after the word "property" by inserting the words "to be," in the twentieth line of said section after the word "and" and before the word "which" by inserting the word "in."

On the second line of section 5 of the printed bill by striking out the word "seven" and inserting in place thereof the word "two," and in the same line by striking out the figures "\$750." In the third line of said section by striking out the words "two thirds by the county of Fond du Lac and one-third," and in the fourth line of said section by inserting after the word "Ripon" the words "and such further compensation as the county board of Fond du Lac county shall determine, to be paid quarterly by the county of Fond du Lac out of the treasury of said county."

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 37, S.,

Authorizing Senator Stout to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 90, S.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 95, of the laws of 1879, relating to the publication of notice for the sale of lands for the non-payment of taxes,

No. 115, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to the Wisconsin State Fireman's Association,

No. 131, S.,

A bill providing for the granting of certain lands for a highway therein named,

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the election, or appointment of women upon school boards or boards of education, in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters,

No. 199, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, laws of 1895, relating to school libraries,

No. 239, S.,

A bill to amend section 942 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to county, town, village or city bonds issued in aid of railroads,

No. 264, S.,

A bill relating to evidence of ordinances, by-laws, resolutions and regulations of cities and villages, and amendatory of section 4137, of the revised statutes,

No. 292, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of dairy statistics,

No. 318, S.,

A bill authorizing corporations organized under chapter 91, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the year 1878, to change their names.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 22, A.,

Permitting Mr. W. A. Jones to introduce a bill.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 38, S.,

On the death of Gen. Lucius Fairchild.

And has concurred in the assembly amendments, to

No. 65, S.,

A bill to authorize the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes to employ a clerk and a stenographer and making an appropriation therefor.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 37, S.,

Was concurred in.

No. 90, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

No. 115, S.,

Was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 131, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Nos. 139 and 264, S.,

Were referred to the committee on Cities.

No. 199, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Education.

No. 239, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 292, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Dairy and Food.

No. 318, S.,

Was referred to committee on Corporations.

Jt. Res. No. 38, S.,

Was concurred in unanimously by a rising vote.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1897.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Eggen offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—95.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Buffington, Frink, Pratt, Sether and Welsh—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Buffington, Frink, Pratt and Welch for this session.

To Messrs. Pierce, Anson, McGrath and Webster, after this session until next Tuesday.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

LETTERS. PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 606, A.,

Petition of C. J. Blakely and others, favoring the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 607, A.,

Petition of citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 608, A.,

Petition of Abram Gilmore and twenty-eight others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 609, A.,

Petition of Herman Wald and twenty-eight others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 610, A.,

Petition of J. A. Andrews and four others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Davidson:

Pet. No. 611, A.,

Petition of W. W. Scoville and fifteen others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Church:

Pet. No. 612, A.,

Petition of D. McDonald and one hundred and seventy-two others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 613, A.,

Petition of Ole Larson and forty-five others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 614, A.,

Petition of Henry Knight and twenty-seven others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 615, A.,

Petition of L. J. Glass and others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 616, A.,

Petition of E. M. Rogers and forty-two others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 617, A.,

Petition of F. J. Kenyon and eighty-seven others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 618, A.,

Petition of E. S. Judson and eighty-five others, favoring the recall of the Pere Marquette statue and the erection of statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 619, A.,

Petition of F. J. Kenyon and eight-six others, in favor of the passage of No. 118, S., relating to the Rusk statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 620, A.,

Remonstrance from citizens of Milwaukee, against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 621, A.,

Remonstrance of A. J. Kuehne and forty-two others, against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 622, A.,

Remonstrance of W. B. Bruecker and fifty-six others, against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 623, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Chas. Hoogsted and one hundred and nine others, opposing removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 624, A.,

Petition of F. J. Kenyon and eighty-five others, favoring the passage of the memorial to congress, No. 3, A., for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 625, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Door county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 626, A.,

Remonstrance of Marcus Moeller and others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 627, A.,

Remonstrance of D. Deneen and twenty-eight others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

Pet. No. 628, A.,

Remonstrance of St. Michael's Court, No. 93, and others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 629, A.,

Remonstrance of T. H. Hassett and seventy others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 630, A.,

Remonstrance of J. E. Cardinal and thirty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 631, A.,

Remonstrance of Joseph P. McGuire and sixty-two others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 632, A.,

Remonstrance of Nelson Boucher and four others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 633, A.,

Remonstrance of O. E. Lappin and forty-six others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Connors:

Pet. No. 634, A.,

Remonstrance of C. M. Fitzgerald and thirty three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Connors:

Pet. No. 635, A.,

Remonstrance of W. J. Coan and sixty-four others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 636, A.,

Remonstrance of fifty voters of Fond du Lac county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 637, A.,

Remonstrance of Nick Schommer and twenty-six others, against the passage of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 638, A.,

Remonstrance of M. A. Bogoyer and sixty-seven others,

against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 639, A.,

Remonstrance of G. J. Hayes and forty-eight others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 640, A.,

Remonstrance of A. E. Gaston and three hundred and eighteen others, against the bill prohibiting spring shooting of ducks and geese.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 641, A.,

Petition favoring the passage of the bill taxing non-resident hunters and sportsmen a license fee. Also the propagation of upland game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 642, A.,

Petition of Niles W. Place and others, favoring a license fee for non-resident hunters from \$25.00 to \$30.00 and resident hunters \$1.00. Also favoring the propagation of upland game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 643, A.,

Petition of Fred Summons and eighteen others, favoring a law taxing non-resident deer hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 644, A.,

Petition of A. W. Wilmarth, in reference to pharmacy and medical bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 645, A.,

Petition of W. J. Bastien, in reference to pharmacy and medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 646, A.,

Petition of Wm. Q. Gansen, in reference to the pharmacy and medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Ry Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 647, A.,

Petition of A. L. Emde, in reference to the pharmacy and medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 648, A.,

Petition of M. S. Parker, favoring passage of bill No. 223, A., amending the pharmacy act of 1895.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hinds:

Pet. No. 649, A.,

Remonstrance of James McCloud, against the passage of bills No. 24, S., and No. 370, A., pharmacy bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hinds:

Pet. No. 650, A.,

Remonstrance of Carl F. Ebert, against the passage of bills Nos. 24, S., and 370, A., pharmacy bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 651, A.,

Petition of Dr. Jackson and others, relating to medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 652, A.,

Petition of W. B. Milliard and twenty-two others, favoring passage of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 653, A.,

Petition of D. C. Treadway and twenty-four others, asking for passage of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool selling and book making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 654, A.,

Petition of H. W. Bushnell and twenty others, asking for the passage of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool selling and book making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 655, A.,

Petition of Chas. Gussman and seventy-one others, praying

for the passage of bill No. 130, A., relating to poolselling and gambling.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 656, A.,

Petition of twenty-one citizens of Omro, in favor of bill No. 506, A., relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet No. 657, A.

Petition in favor of the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 658, A.,

Petition of twenty four citizens of Superior, in favor of the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 659, A.,

Remonstrance of Chas. D. Wilson and seventy five others, against allowing net fishing in Lakes Winnebago, Poygan and Buttes des Mortes.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 660, A.,

Petition of R. Allen and forty-seven others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 294, A., for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 661, A.,

Remonstrance of S. W. Gaffney and twenty-nine legal voters of Turtle Lake, against the passage of bills Nos. 332, A., and 523, A.

To committee on Railroads.

Mr. McGrath moved that the committee on Public Health and Sanitation be instructed to return to the assembly

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Jt. Res. No. 24, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That George H. Ray be permitted to introduce a bill granting the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery Association, in La Crosse county, the right to sell a portion of its real estate, and also to purchase other real estate in said county.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred:
No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

WILLIAM G. WHEELER.

Chairman.

The committee on Education. to whom was referred:

No. 67, S.,

A bill to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries,

No. 452, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 458, laws of 1889, relating to school of science of the university of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education,

No. 483, A.,

A bill to prevent the hiring or licensing of incompetent persons as principals of graded schools,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

With the recommendation that the same do pass,
Messrs. Huribut, Minch and Hindes dissenting.

FRANK T. TUCKER.

Chairman.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where title is defective,

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river in Barron county, Wis.,

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions,

No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, laws of 1895, entitled "an act to authorize counties containing over one hundred thousand inhabitants to acquire by gift, purchase or condemnation, toll roads situate therein and to issue bonds for that purpose,"

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day,"

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

No. 2, A.,

Memorial to congress, requesting consideration and passage of senate bill 3058, now pending in congress,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, as in all respects correct.

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 441, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane, With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 39, S.,

Authorizing the employment of a competent architect to examine the vault in which state records are stored.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 39, S.,

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The rules were suspended, and

The resolution was put upon its passage.

The ayes and noes being required, the joint resolution was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 86; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bullard, Buttes, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriam, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss,

Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Borchsenius and Tucker—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Buffington, Burnham, Clason, Feige, Frink, Plummer, Pratt, Sether, Utt and Welch—11.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Adding a section to the constitution providing for a board of pardons,

The ayes and noes being required, the affirmative vote was insufficient for the constitutional requirement and concurrence was refused.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 47; noes, 45; absent or not voting, 8.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bullard, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Harvey, Hogan, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosencrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Webster, Wheeler and White—47.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Burnham, Buttes, Cashin, Clack, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Gawin, Hall, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Risum, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Thompson, Tucker, Wipperman, Wolf, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—45.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Buffington, Frink, Pratt, Sether, Utt, Welch and Mr. Speaker—8.

Additional copies of bills were ordered to be printed as follows:

On motion of Mr. Niss,

One hundred of 338, A.

On motion of Mr. Webster,

One hundred of 294, A.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 21, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 379 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for the year 1857, providing for the vacation of certain streets in the city of Milwaukee,

No. 48, S.,

A bill fixing the amount of money to be kept on hand in the treasury of cities of the first class,

No. 66, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294,

No. 130, S.,

A bill to amend section 1195, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Timber on land sold counties not to be cut,"

No. 172, S.,

A bill relating to auctions and auctioneers, and amendatory of section 1590, of chapter 68, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

Mr. Agen moved that bills Nos. 30, A., and 39, A., be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The motion was lost.

No. 3, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 30, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, relating to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases,

No. 39, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act in relation to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases,"

No. 93, A.,

A bill regulating the propelling of steam engines on highways in cities and villages,

No. 266, A.,

A bill permitting the wife to testify in certain cases,

No. 305, A.,

A bill to repeal section 4398 of the revised statutes of this state, relating to the use of abusive language,

No. 319, A.,

A bill relating to notice by publication in cases affecting real estate, and amendatory of section 4045 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 395, laws of 1887,

No. 484, A.,

A bill to amend section 119 of the revised statutes, relating to the contents of the blue book,

No. 526, A.,

A bill to repeal section 1643, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, of the general laws of the state of Wisconsin, and amendments thereto, relating to state aid for agricultural societies.

No. 589, A.,

A bill to abolish the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Rosenkrans moved that

No. 177, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 725, of the revised statutes of the state, relating to the duties of sheriff,

Be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given, Was recommitted to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize Joseph Mardin, Jr., his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan in Door county,

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 54, laws of 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary to,

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes relating to the assessment of property,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by committee on Lumber and Mining, to

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal a portion of chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Cashin,

The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Latta:

Jt. Res. No. 25, A.,

Granting Mr. Eaton permission to introduce a bill.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 270, A.,

A bill relating to the examination of adverse parties in legal proceedings amendatory, of section 4096 of the annotated statutes, and chapter 141 of the laws of 1893,

No. 337, A.,

A bill to amend section 1698 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin of 1878, relating to voluntary assignments,

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend sections 3838 and 3839 of chapter CLXV, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the proof and payment of debts and legacies,"

No. 252, A.,

A bill pertaining to the duties of district attorney,

No. 400, A.,

A bill to amend section 183 of the laws of 1879, now section 4575b, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "An act to further protect life and limb,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed,

Mr. D. F. Jones dissenting from such recommendation as to bill No. 270, A.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 356, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 357 of the laws in 1891, relating to additional jurisdiction of the county court of Portage county.

No. 212, A.,

A bill to amend section 925c, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the division of cities into classes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

CHR. ACKERMANN,
Chairman pro tem.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:

No. 101, S.,

A bill to amend section 1733, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Inspectors' offices, where to be,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice.

Have had the same, with the amendment offered by Mr. Wheeler, under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass when so amended.

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, Messrs. Clason and McGrath dissenting.

JESSE A. CLASON,
Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

The minority of your committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

Respectfully report, dissenting from the recommendation of the majority, and recommend the adoption of certain amendments herewith submitted, and that, when so amended, the bill do pass.

The amendments proposed by the minority of the committee are as follows:

In section 1, 7th line, strike out the 6th word, and insert the word Eclectic before the 5th word, so that the same shall read "by the Wisconsin State Eclectic Medical Society."

In section 1, of the 18th line, strike out the 9th word and substitute the word "three,"

In the 19th line, strike out the 13th word and insert the word "two,"

In the 20th line, strike out the 4th word, and to the 5th word add the letter "s," so that the same shall read, "Three of the appointees shall be regular physicians and two of them shall be homeopathic physicians, and two of them shall be eclectic physicians."

In section 3, 8th line, strike out the fourth word and insert the word "or," and after the word "requires," insert the following words: "after January 1st, 1897," so that the same shall read, "or present his or her diploma from a medical college that requires after January 1st, 1897, at least three courses of no less than six months each before graduation."

In section 3, 25th line, strike out all after the 2nd word down to the 7th word of the 39th line.

Section 5, change the word and figures, ten (10) to five where they occur in the 5th line of printed bill and insert the word, and figure five in lieu thereof.

In section 5, strike out in the 8th line the 6th word and figure 4 and insert the word and figure "three" so that the same shall read:—"not to exceed three hundred dollars per annum."

In section 8, 4th line, strike out all words after the third word in this line and in the 5th line of this same section, strike out the 3rd, 4th and 5th words and insert the words "medical or surgical" and after the 6th word of line 5 of this same section insert the words, "for the," so that the section shall read from the 13th word of the 3rd line as follows: "or who shall, for a fee, prescribe drugs or other medical or surgical treatment for the cure or relief of any wound, fracture, bodily injury, infirmity or disease."

JESSE A. CLASON,
THOS. J. McGRATH.

The committee on Roads and Bridges to whom was referred:
No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 131, S.,

A bill providing for the granting of certain lands for a high way therein named,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

JAS. O. DAVIDSON,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 242, A., are as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out the word "agents" where it appears in the second line of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the words "an agent," and by striking out all of the fifth line of the printed bill after the word "state."

And by striking out the words "given length of time," where they appear in the sixth line of the printed bill.

And by striking out the word "each," where it appears in the sixth line of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "for each day of actual service."

No. 511, A.,

A bill authorizing the attorney general to cancel and satisfy the mortgages held by the state upon the lands owned by the Wisconsin state agricultural society,

No. 273, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the duties of a public examiner for the state of Wisconsin,

With the recommendation that they be severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 618, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1448, 1449 and 1447a, of chapter 59 of SARGENT & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to cemeteries,

Without recommendation.

JESSE STONE
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and when so amended recommend that it do pass.

No. 90, S.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 95, of the laws of 1879, relating to the publication of notice for the sale of lands for the non-payment of taxes,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 122, A., is as follows:

Amend by striking out the word "incorporated" in the first line of section one of the printed bill and inserting after the word "city" in the same line the words, "of the first and second class."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 614, A.,

A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1835 of the revised statutes,

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 256, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154, of the laws of 1895,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 551, A ,

A bill to protect vineyards, orchards and gardens against vandalism,

With a recommendation that it be re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 365, A.,

A bill to prevent deception and fraud in the sale of grass and garden seed,

With amendments, and with the recommendation that when so amended, the bill do pass.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Section 1. Amend in 2d line by adding after the word "retail" the words "or to."

Section 1. Amend by striking out the last word "clover" of the 3d line, and all of lines 4, 5, 6 and 7, and all of that part of 8th line which precedes the word "whatever," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "grain, grass, vegetable or flower seeds."

Amend section 1. In 10th line, strike out all of remainder of section after the words "was grown."

Amend 2d line of section 2 by inserting the words "or to" after the word "retail,"

With the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

B. A. EATON,

Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan, and maintain a boom in said waters,

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 101, of the laws of 1895,

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence,

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of property,

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 54 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the years 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498, 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The bills were referred to the committee on Bills in The Third Reading.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state,"

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 618, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 551, A.,

Was recommitted to the committee on Judiciary, as recommended in report of committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Legried,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Eggen offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Anson, McGrath, Pierce, Pratt, Sether, Thomas, Webster and Welsh—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to

Messrs. Thomas and Welch for this session.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

Mr. Clason moved that at 11 o'clock the assembly take a recess of fifteen minutes for the purpose of taking part in the senate demonstration in honor of the inauguration of William McKinley as president of the United States.

The motion was unanimously carried.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 662, A.,

Petition of Patrick McDonald and forty-two others, against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 663, A.,

Petition of F. H. Conley and fifty others, against the removal of the Pere Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 664, A.,

Petition of E. Urdenburg and forty-four others, asking for passage of bill for placing statue of Fairchild in the old hall of representatives at Washington, D. C.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 665, A.,

Petition of P. F. Walker and seven others, in favor of the Fairchild statue bill.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 666, A.,

Petition of J. R. Delven and thirty-one others, in favor of the Fairchild statue bill.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 667, A.,

Petition of John W. Swat and one hundred and eighteen others, asking for the passage of the Fairchild bill.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 668, A.,

Petition of W. W. Church and fourteen others, favoring passage of the Fairchild statue bill.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 669, A.,

Remonstrance of M. M. Schoetz and sixty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 670, A.,

Remonstrance of E. J. Cary and fifty others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 671, A.,

Remonstrance of Eau Claire Court, No. 907, of the Independent Order of Foresters, against the insurance bill known as No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 672, A.,

Remonstrance of Magnus Firth and many others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 673, A.,

Remonstrance of Michael Colbert and seventy others, against passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 674, A.,

Remonstrance of Catholic Order of Foresters and fifty-three others, against passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 675, A.,

Remonstrance of William Hughes and twelve others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 676, A.,

Petition of Geo. O. Gordon, against the pharmacy bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 677, A.,

Petition of W. R. Graig, against the pharmacy bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 678, A.,

Petition of C. H. Truesdell, against the pharmacy bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 679, A.,

Petition of John Nagle and fifty-one others, in favor of the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 680, A.,

Petition of E. O. Farber and eighty-four others, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 681, A.,

Petition of F. M. Stewart and forty-one others, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 682, A.,

Petition of Methodist ministers of Milwaukee, urging passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jenson:

Pet. No. 683, A.,

Petition of J. F. Corbett, M. D., and thirteen others, in favor of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 684, A.,

Petition of Wm. Beletz and others, in favor of the passage of the medical bill No. 235, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 685, A.,

Petition of G. A. Barker, M. D., and twenty-five others, favoring passage of medical bill, No. 235, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 686, A.,

Petition for the passage of bill No. 470, A., by the Milwaukee Methodist's preachers' meeting.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 687, A.,

Petition of First Congregational church of Madison, favoring the passage of bill No. 506, A., prohibiting the sale of liquor within certain limits.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 688, A.,

Petition of Willis W. Cooper and twenty others, in favor of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 689, A.,

Petition of William F. Jeffries and seventy others, in favor of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 690, A.,

Petition of E. N. Andrews and sixteen others, in favor of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 691, A.,

Petition of Albert Salisbury and sixty-one others, in favor of bill No. 130, A., prohibiting pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet No. 692, A.,

Petition of Theo. Russ and others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 299, A.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Eaton:

Pet. No. 693, A.,

Petition of William Klug, Jr., and sixteen others, in favor of the bill taxing non-resident hunters a license fee.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 694, A.,

Petition of S. Mumer and eighteen others, in favor of bill taxing non-resident hunters a license fee.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 695, A.,

Petition of William F. Sanger and others, in favor of the bill taxing non-resident hunters a license fee.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 696, A.,

Remonstrance of John Castle and thirty others, against the passage of bill No. 245, S., relating to drainage corporations.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 697, A.,

Petition of W. A. Johnson and forty-eight others, in favor of the cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Parker:

Jt. Res. No. 26, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That T. J. McGrath be and hereby is permitted to introduce a bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad," where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable."

Was adopted.

By Mr. Buttles:

Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That D. F. Jones be and hereby is permitted to introduce a bill relating to the protection of public health and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 167, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health." Also a bill relating to the exemptions and amendatory of section 2965 of the revised statutes.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 630, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the payment of taxes in villages in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ray:

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the Hamilton cemetery association of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, to sell and convey real estate.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs to whom was referred:

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than 3,000 population, incorporated by special act or under general laws, to change their names,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend by inserting after section three of the original bill, the following:

Section 4. Such city under its new name shall have and possess all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities conferred by its original charter or by the general laws of the state, and all debts, obligations and liabilities of every kind or character whatsoever existing against such city at the time such change of name shall continue with the same force and effect as though such change had not been had, and may be enforced in the same manner under its new name, as they might under its old had such change not been made.

Amend sections four and five of the original bill by renumbering them five and six respectively.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills have examined and found correctly enrolled the following bills:

No. 152, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

No. 9, A.,

A bill making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

No. 76, A.,

A bill authorizing Manufacturers' Bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred,

No. 491, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052, revised statutes of 1878, relating to assessment of notes and mortgages,

No. 211, A.,

A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218, laws of 1882, chapter 510, laws of 1889, and chapter 81, laws of 1895,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 446, A.,

A bill to amend section 1087 of the annotated statutes relating to the re-assessment of taxes,

With the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The bill was so referred.

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers,"

With amendments in the form of a substitute, and recommend its passage when so amended.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 23 S..

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

With the recommendation that the same be not concurred in.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 442, A.:

In the 19th line of section 11 of the printed bill after the words "two thousand" insert the words "five hundred."

In the 13th section of the printed bill in lines 22 and 23 strike out the words "beyond the jurisdiction of justices of the peace."

In the twenty-first section of the printed bill commencing with the word "provided" where it occurs in the eighth line, after the word "provided," and strike out all of said section that follows including the word "provided" where it occurs the *second* time in the said eighth line.

Amendments to bill 536, A.:

Amend the printed bill by adding a new section to read as follows: Section 2. There is hereby constituted, created and established in the territory comprised with the said towns of Oconomowoc, Morton, Delafield, Summit, Ottawa, city of Oconomowoc, and the village of Hartland, being the towns named in section 1, of this act, a court to be known as "The municipal court of the western district of Waukesha county, which court shall be held at the city of Oconomowoc, in said county, by a judge to be elected for that purpose."

By renumbering the sections following said section 2 so added so that section 2 of the printed bill shall be section 3, and each following section shall have a number one greater than its present number.

To amend further by striking out all of line 14 of section 2 of the printed bill after the word "applicable" and all of lines 15, 16 and 17 and the words in the 18th line to and including the words "appeals from judgments rendered in said court in civil actions, shall be taken to the county court of Waukesha county in the same manner as appeals from judgments of the justices of the peace in civil actions."

In the thirty-ninth line of section 4, of the printed bill, strike out the word "penal," where it occurs in two places in said line, and insert instead thereof in each place the word "official."

In the 10th section of the printed bill in the third line strike out the words "and constables" and in the fourth line strike out the word "civil," and commencing with the word "But" in the 17th line of said section striking out all the following of d line and all of line 18.

In section 12 of the printed bill strike out the word "five" in line 2 and the word "hundred" in line 3, and in place thereof in-

sert the word "one-thousand," and in the sixth line of said section strike out the word "three" and insert in place thereof the word "six."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 120, S.,

A bill authorizing cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes, and to create park commissions and prescribe their powers and duties.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 24, A.,

Granting Geo. H. Ray permission to introduce a bill giving the Hamilton Cemetery Association of La Crosse right to sell and acquire real estate,

Jt. Res. No. 25, A.,

Permitting Mr. Eaton to introduce a bill, relating to the extension of the time of payment of taxes in cities and villages for the year 1896.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 120, S.,

Was referred to committee on Cities.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

Nos. 26 and 315, A., were ordered taken from this order No. 11, and placed under order No. 13, Bills Ready for Engrossment and Third Reading, of the calendar today.

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective,

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin,

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, of laws of 1895, relating to condemnation of toll roads,

No. 441, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

Memorial to Congress, No. 2, A.,

Requesting consideration and passage of bill No. 3058, United States senate, now pending in congress,

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor Day,"

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court in the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

Was, on motion of Mr. Utt,

Re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions.

The ayes and noes being required the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 84; noes, none; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—84.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Clason, Fogo, Frink, Klabunde, Lewis, McGrath, Parker, Pierce, Pratt, Sether, Sheffer, Thomas and Welch—16.

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft,

Mr. Overbeck offered the following amendment to title of the bill:

A bill to repeal chapter 19, of general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state," as amended by chapter 283 of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state,"

Which was adopted.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

No. 21, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 379 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for the year 1857, providing for the vacation of certain streets in the city of Milwaukee,

No. 48, S.,

A bill fixing the amount of money to be kept on hand in the treasury of cities of the first class,

No. 66, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294,

No. 130, S.,

A bill to amend section 1195, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Timber on land sold counties not to be cut,"

No. 172, S.,

A bill relating to auctions and auctioneers, and amendatory of section 1590, of chapter 68, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

The hour having arrived for a recess under motion of Mr. Clason, the assembly moved in a body to the senate chamber, and participated in the observances of celebrating the inauguration of the president of the United States.

11:15 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee," approved March 1, 1851, as amended by private and local laws of 1853, chapter 257, private and local laws of 1855, chapter 63, and laws of 1876, chapter 209,

No. 90, S.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 95, of the laws of 1879, relating to the publication of notice for the sale of lands for the non-payment of taxes,

No. 101, S.,

A bill to amend section 1733, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, entitled "Inspectors' offices," where to be,

No. 131, S.,

A bill providing for the granting of certain lands for a highway therein named,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Olson,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

Was made a special order of business for next Tuesday, at 11 o'clock a. m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 200, A.

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of La Crosse, in and for the county of La Crosse,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments in the form of a substitute bill, with the recommendation that the substitute bill do pass in the stead of the original bill.

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

With amendments, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895,

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial,"

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 351, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a court commissioner or justice of the peace in municipal and superior courts, having the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace in case of absence, sickness or disability of the judge,

No. 382, A.,

A bill to amend section 3757 of the revised statutes, relating to garnishments,

No. 422, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for Wood county,

No. 618, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1448, 1449, 1447a and 1452 of chapter 59 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to cemeteries,

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of 1885, entitled, "An act relating to attorneys and admission to the bar, and amendatory of section 2586 of the revised statutes,"

No. 248, A.,

A bill relating to cemetery corporations,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Amendments to bill No. 404, A., proposed by the committee on Judiciary, are as follows:

Add to section 2 at the end thereof the following:

"Such report of the physicians shall be made in each case whether the question of insanity is tried before a jury or otherwise, and shall be forwarded with the commitment to the superintendent of the hospital."

And further to amend section 3, by striking out all after the word "necessary" in line 13 of the printed bill down to and including the word "manner" in line 15 of said section, and insert the following in place thereof:

"To serve such notice upon him. If such notice be ordered by the judge, and served upon either of the persons hereinbefore mentioned, and no jury trial is awarded, the judge may proceed, at the time and place specified in such notice, or if such notice is ordered, then, after receiving the report of the physicians, he may proceed summarily."

And further to amend section 8, by striking out the word "institution" in line 8 of said section in the printed bill and in place thereof the word "hospital."

And by adding a new section to be called section 13 and to read as follows:

"Section 13. In addition to the power given by section 593 a, annotated statutes, to the judge to order the confinement, temporarily, and until further order, of a person alleged to be insane if in the opinion of the judge public safety require it, the judge may also, in his discretion, order the detention of any person whose sanity is

being investigated by him, during the investigation and for such reasonable "time" thereafter as he may deem necessary for proper medical observation of such person to afford sufficient opportunity to determine the necessity of committing such person to a hospital for the insane.

Providing that no such person shall be confined in a jail or lock-up or other prison for the confinement of criminals, or in any poor-house, unless it shall appear to the judge that confinement therein is essential to the safety of such person or some other person or persons or to the maintenance of the public peace and safety.

And provided further, that the period of confinement under this section shall not exceed ten days.

The board of supervisors of such county is hereby authorized to erect, purchase, or in some other manner provide and maintain suitable buildings for the purpose of such temporary detention of the alleged insane."

And by renumbering section 13 of the printed bill so as to make it "section 14."

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Dairy and Food, to whom was referred:

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 292, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of dairy statistics,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

WM. H. FROEHLICH,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 176, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that when so amended the bill do pass.

No. 221, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to registers of deeds,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his salary,

No. 419, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to the relief and support of the poor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that No. 419, A., be indefinitely postponed, and that No. 113, A., be amended, and when so amended, do pass.

The proposed amendment to No. 113, A., is as follows:

Amend No. 113, A., by substituting the word "ten" in lieu of the word "twelve," in line 2 of section 2.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and when so amended recommend that it do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 531, A.:

Amend bill^{to} No. 531, A., by striking out the word "fifteen" in the 22d line of printed bill and inserting in place thereof the word "ten."

Amend by striking out the words "and his heirs agree" in the 23rd line of the printed bill and inserting in place thereof the word "agrees."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 572, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 276 of the laws of 1891, relating to the boundary of the city of Sheboygan,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 113, S.,

A bill to authorize cities in certain cases to divide unpaid street and sewer assessments into installments, and give time for the payment thereof, to facilitate the funding of municipal indebtedness and for other purposes,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

CH. ACKERMANN,
Chairman pro tem.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments and recommend passage of the bill when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend by striking out of the 12th and 13th lines of section 2 the words "and maintain a sufficient head of water for that purpose," and insert in place thereof the words "and at the cost of said George W. Volk, his associates, heirs and assigns."

Amend section 3 by adding at the end of said section the words "but subject to the rights and privileges heretofore acquired and now held by the Oconto river improvement company."

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 318, S.,

A bill authorizing corporations under chapter 91. of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the year 1878, to change their names,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 528, A.,

A bill to amend section 1777 of the revised statutes, "relating to additional powers of peculiar corporations,"

No. 529, A.,

A bill to amend section 1771 of chapter 86 of 1878, entitled, "Of the organization of corporations,"

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 2, A.,

A bill creating and establishing a board of commutation and pardon after conviction, for the state of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 199 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of pardons,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

With amendment, and recommend it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1, of bill No. 399, A., by inserting after the word "cities," where it appears in the first line of the printed bill the words, "of one hundred thousand inhabitants or over."

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of the revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law,

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justices' courts and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products,

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name,

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 101, of the laws of 1895,

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence,

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan and maintain a boom in said waters,

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 54, of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 159, S.,

A bill to abolish the fees of and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county.

And has concurred in

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895 relating to duties and powers of superintendent of work house,

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of a workhouse by any one, two or more counties within the state, in which to confine certain offenders at hard labor, and prescribing and regulating the punishment for certain offenders,

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds,

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorney."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 159, S.,

Was read a first and second times and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The senate amendment, to

No. 182, A.,

Was concurred in.

Mr. D. K. Smith moved that the vote of yesterday by which Jt. Res. No. 12, S., was non-concurred in,

Be reconsidered.

Mr. Polacheck moved that Jt. Res. No. 12, S., be recalled from the senate.

The motion was carried.

Mr. D. K. Smith moved that his motion to reconsider the vote on Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Be laid over until tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

Five hundred additional copies of bill No. 623, A., were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Agen moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, by which bill No. 39, A., was indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

Mr. Clason moved that

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

Be made a special order of business for next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Burnham moved that

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education,

Be made a special order of business for next Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m.

The motion prevailed.

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

Mr. Hall offered the following amendment:

Amend sub-division 4 of No. 315, A., so as to read as follows: Two percentum of the gross earnings of all railroads, except those operated on pile and pontoon bridges, whose gross earnings equal or exceed one thousand five hundred dollars, and are less than two thousand dollars per mile per annum of operated railroad.

Which was adopted.

The bill was then ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment, offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

Were adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The amendment offered by Mr. Wheeler, and approved by the committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 452, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 458, laws of 1889, relating to school of science of the university of Wisconsin,

Was recommitted to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 614, A.,

A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1835 of the revised statutes,

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Were laid over until next Wednesday, to go on the calendar in their regular order.

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin,

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries, and amendatory of section 934, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The assembly refused to order to engrossment and third reading

No. 366, A.,

A bill to prevent deception and fraud in the sale of grass and garden seed,

As reported with amendments by the committee on Agriculture.

No. 483, A.,

A bill to prevent the hiring or licensing of incompetent persons as principals of graded schools,

No. 212, A.,

A bill to amend section 925c, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the division into classes of cities,

No. 252, A.,

A bill pertaining to the duties of district attorney,

No. 256, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154, of the laws of 1895,

No. 273, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the duties of a public examiner for the state of Wisconsin,

No. 337, A.,

A bill to amend section 1698 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin of 1878, relating to voluntary assignments,

No. 356, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 357 of the laws of 1891, relating to additional jurisdiction of the county court of Portage county,

No. 270, A.,

A bill relating to the examination of adverse parties in legal proceedings amendatory of section 4096 of the annotated statutes, and chapter 141 of the laws of 1893,

No. 379, A.,

A bill to amend sections 3838 and 3839 of chapter CLXV, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the proof and payment of debts and legacies,"

No. 400, A.,

A bill to amend section 183 of the laws of 1879, now section 4575b, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "An act to further protect life and limb,"

No. 511, A.,

A bill authorizing the attorney general to cancel and satisfy the mortgages held by the state upon the lands owned by the Wisconsin state agricultural society,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Burnham,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Eggen offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wiperman Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—89.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Anson, Cashin, Gawin, Jensen, Lange, Olson, Pierce, Schellenberg, Sether, Thomas and Welch—11.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Thomas, Lange, Cashin, Gawin, Schellenberg, Jensen and Welch for this session.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Merrill:

Pet. No. 698, A.,

Petition of George W. Parnell and thirty-six others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 699, A.,

Petition of Frank H. Potter Post, G. A. R., of twenty-five members, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 700, A.,

Petition of Thos. P. Russell and others, in favor of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 701, A.,

Petition of citizens of St. Croix county, in favor of medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 702, A.,

Petition of C. Stiger and others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 703, A.,

Remonstrance of common council of Centralia, against creating a municipal court.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 704, A.,

Petition of A. H. Shoemaker, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 705, A.,

Petition of D. Jenkins and thirty-five others, to prohibit pool selling and book making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Woller:

Pet. No. 706, A.,

Petition of Philip Kurz and thirty-one others, favoring the passage of a bill taxing non-resident hunters and sportsmen a license fee, also favoring the propagation of upland game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 707, A.,

Remonstrance of A. F. Lichtennalieu and sixty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stone:

Pet. No. 708, A.,

Remonstrance of Henry Huttner and ten others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 709, A.,

Remonstrance of H. D. Wilbur and ten others, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 710, A.,

Remonstrance of G. E. Wolter and fifty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Burnham:

Pet. No. 711, A.,

Remonstrance of John B. Burns and thirty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 712, A.,

Remonstrance of F. S. Wade and many others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 713, A.,

Remonstrance of Albert Courtney and forty-five others, against

the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 714, A.,

Remonstrance of Maccabees and others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Latta:

Pet. No. 715, A.,

Remonstrance of H. D. Fisher and sixteen others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Eaton:

Pet. No. 716, A.,

Remonstrance of K. of H., No. 672, and forty-six others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 717, A.,

Remonstrance of E. Meier and fifteen others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 718, A.,

Remonstrance of J. H. Jensen and sixteen others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 719, A.,

Remonstrance of D. E. Collins, M. D., and fifty-nine others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 720, A.,

Remonstrance of C. A. Coon and eleven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the election, or appointment of women upon school boards or boards of education, in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

CHR. ACKERMAN,
Chairman pro tem.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate returns as requested by assembly,

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Adding section to constitution providing for board of pardons.

And has concurred in

Memorial to congress No. 2, A.,

Requesting consideration and passage of senate bill No. 3058, now pending in congress,

Jt. Res. No. 26, A.,

To permit T. J. McGrath to introduce a bill.

Jt. Res. No. 27, A.,

To permit D. F. Jones to introduce a bill relating to the public health and amendatory of section 4 of chapter 167 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health," also a bill relating to exemptions and amendatory of section 2965 of the revised statutes.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

The special orders for business for next week were re-arranged as follows:

No. 26, A., for next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m.

No. 235, A., for next Thursday at 11 a. m.

No. 246, A., for next Friday at 11 o'clock a. m.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee," approved March 1, 1851, as amended by private and local laws of 1853, chapter 257, private and local laws of 1855, chapter 63, and laws of 1876, chapter 209,

No. 90, S.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 95, of the laws of 1879, relating to the publication of notice for the sale of lands for the non-payment of taxes,

No. 101, S.,

A bill to amend section 1733, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, entitled "Inspectors' offices," where to be,

No. 131, S.,

A bill providing for the granting of certain lands for a highway therein named,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 113, S.,

A bill to authorize cities in certain cases to divide unpaid street and sewer assessments into installments, and give time for the payment thereof, to facilitate the funding of municipal indebtedness, and for other purposes,

No. 292, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of dairy statistics,

No. 318, S.,

A bill authorizing corporations under chapter 91, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the year 1878, to change their names,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,' "

Was, on motion of Mr. Bullard,

Re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 2, A.,

A bill creating and establishing a board of commutations and pardons after conviction, for the state of Wisconsin and amendatory of chapter 199 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "of pardons,"

No. 211, A.,

A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218, laws of 1882, chapter 510, laws of 1889, and chapter 81, laws of 1895,

No. 221, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries to registers of deeds,

No. 248, A.,

A bill relating to cemetery corporations,

No. 351, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a court commissioner or justice of the peace in municipal and superior courts, having the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace in case of absence, sickness or disability of the judge,

No. 382, A.,

A bill to amend section 3757, of the revised statutes relating to garnishments,

No. 383, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of 1885, entitled, "An act relating to attorneys and admission to the bar, and amendatory of section 2586 of the revised statutes,

No. 419, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to the relief and support of the poor,

No. 422, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for Wood county,

No. 491, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052, revised statutes of 1878, relating to assessment of notes and mortgages,

No. 528, A.,

A bill to amend section 1777 of the revised statutes, "relating to additional powers of peculiar corporations,"

No. 529, A.,

A bill to amend section 1771 of chapter 86 of 1878, entitled, "Of the organization of corporations,"

No. 572, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 276 of the laws of 1891, relating to the boundary of the city of Sheboygan,

No. 618, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1448, 1449, 1447a, and 1452 of chapter 59 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to cemeteries,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 280, A.,

A bill to classify the state printing and repeal sections 296 to 304, inclusive, of chapter 20 of the revised statutes,

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895,

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial."

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Lumber and Mining, to

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than 3,000 population, incorporated by special act or general laws, to change their names,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of

the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation,

Was referred to the committee on Claims.

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

Action was deferred on bill until next Tuesday in its regular order.

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

Action was deferred on bill until next Thursday in its regular order.

Mr. Flagg moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Mr. Eaton moved as an amendment that the time for adjournment be until next Monday at 7:30 o'clock p. m.,

Which motion prevailed.

The motion of Mr. Flagg, as amended,

Was then carried.

The motion offered yesterday by Mr. D. K. Smith that the vote by which the assembly on Wednesday refused to concur in Jt. Res. No. 12, S., to amend the constitution of the state of Wisconsin by adding a section to provide for a board of pardons, be reconsidered,

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Rule No. 65 was suspended in order to allow consideration of the motion at this time.

The question being upon the motion to reconsider,

The motion prevailed upon a division of the house, the vote being, ayes, 55; noes, 20.

On motion of Mr. Stone,
Jt. Res. No. 12, S., ~~PREVIOUS~~
Was laid over until next Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Beach,
The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1897,
7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair

The Rev. Mr. Simonds offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Agen, Borchsenius, Buttles, Church, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Gawin, Hughes, Jones D. F., Marsh, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Sether, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Thompson, White, Wiperman and Wolfinger—25.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Agen, Borchsenius, Buttles, Church, Edwards, Hughes, D. F. Jones, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Gawin, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Stanley, Staples, White, Wiperman, Wolfinger, Hall, and Thompson.

Mr. Sieker was granted indefinite leave.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in Assembly at close of session, Friday, March 5, 1897.

Whole number of bills introduced in assembly, 631.

COMMITTEES.	Assembly bills referred and re-referred.	Senate bills referred and re-referred.	Re-reported.	Now in committee.
Judiciary	184	20	100	104
Assessment and Collection of Taxes	65	1	27	39
Agriculture	22	.....	15	7
Cities	52	7	19	40
Corporations	24	2	9	17
Dairy and Food	6	1	4	3
Education	24	4	8	20
Finance, Banks and Insurance	14	3	5	12
Federal Relations	9	1	2	8
Legislative Expenditures	1	2	2	1
Lumber and Mining	10	1	6	5
Manufactures	8	.....	.....	8
Military Affairs	5	1	.....	6
Public Lands	4	.....	.....	4
Public Health and Sanitation	21	.....	5	16
Public Improvements .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Privileges and Elections	18	2	.....	20
Railroads	15	.....	3	12
Roads and Bridges	19	1	8	12
State Affairs	49	7	36	20
Town and County Organization	50	4	26	28
Ways and Means	12	.....	1	11
Claims	26	.....	4	22
Charitable and Penal Institutions	21	1	13	9
Fish and Game	6	.....	1	5
Printing	5	.....	1	4
Bills re-referred	670 39	58 1	295	433
Total number bills	631	57		

Recapitulation.

Assembly bills introduced and referred	631	....
Assembly bills re-referred	39	....
Senate bills received and referred	57	....
Senate bills re-referred	1	....
Bills reported	295	....
Bills now in committee	433	....
	728	728

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee	391	....
Indefinitely postponed	117	....
Passed assembly	79	....
Concurred in by senate	20	....
Non-concurred in by senate .....	.....	....
Pending in senate	59	....
Bills pending—not ready for passage	44	....
	631	79

The speaker called attention to the necessity of greater expedition in the consideration of and action upon bills in the hands of standing committees of the assembly, to the end that the session may not be prolonged beyond the usual duration.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 721, A.,

Protest of the voters of Milwaukee county, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Pet. No. 722, A.,

Protest of the voters of Milwaukee county, against the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 723, A.,

Protest of the Perseverance Cl. No. 613, Royal Arcanum, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 724, A.,

Protest of A. H. Stevens and one hundred and thirty-nine others, against the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 725, A.,

Protest of E. S. Culver and sixty others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the "insurance code."

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 726, A.,

Protest of John Barthoe and sixty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the "insurance code."

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Pratt:

Pet. No. 727, A.,

Protest of C. C. Glass and twenty-six others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment feature of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 728, A.,

Protest of Patrick Duffy and sixty-eight others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 729, A.,

Protest of Jos. M. Baur and fifty others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolff:

Pet. No. 730, A.,

Protest of E. A. Dow and fifty five others, against the passage of fraternal features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Cashin:

Pet. No. 731, A.,

Protest of James Quinn and fifty-one others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 732, A.,

Protest of Wm. Flegur and thirty others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 733, A.,

Petition of A. J. Hahn and nineteen others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Pet. No. 734, A.,

Protest of H. J. Hildebrandt and one hundred and seven oth-

ers, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 735, A.,

Protest of the A. O. U. W. of Baraboo, Wis., against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Parker:

Pet. No. 736, A.,

Protest of William Rogers and six others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 737, A.,

Petition of G. D. Silverthorn and eighty others, for the recall of the Marquette statue for the placing of the statues of Fairchild and Rusk.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 738, A.,

Petition of fifty-five citizens of Oshkosh, Wis., asking for the removal of the Marquette statue, and for the placing of the statues of Gens. Fairchild and Rusk in the old hall of the house of representatives.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 739, A.,

Petition of Chas. Taylor and others, favoring the Gens. Fairchild and Rusk statutes.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Sheffer:

Pet. No. 740, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. James C. Bergen and fifty others, against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 741, A.,

Petition of E. C. Brayton and twenty others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 742, A.,

Petition of forty-nine citizens of Oshkosh, Wis., asking for the removal of the Marquette statue and for the placing of the statues of Gen. Fairchild and Gen. Rusk in the old hall of the house of representatives.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 743, A.,

Petition of E. C. Wenz and sixty-nine others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 744, A.,

Petition of John Kelley and thirteen others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 745, A.,

Petition of L. F. Plummer and two hundred and sixty-six others, in favor of passage of bill No. 262, A.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 746, A.,

Petition of Emil Johnson and 65 others, in favor of passage of bill No. 262, A.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 747, A.,

Petition of John L. Peterson and thirty-eight others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 262, A.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

Br Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 748, A.,

Petition of Geo. Tarrant and one hundred and twenty-eight others, favoring passage of bill No. 262, A.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 749, A.,

Petition of N. W. Jones and seven others, favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 750, A.,

Petition of E. A. Redfield and sixty-seven others, favoring passage of bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 751, A.,

Petition of Geo. Pilger and seventeen others, favoring the passage of bill licensing non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 752, A.,

Petition of J. E. Hamilton and thirty-eight others, in favor of licensing non-resident and resident hunters and the propagation of upland game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Morgan:

Pet. No. 753, A.,

Petition of A. E. Markee and sixty-five others, favoring recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 754, A.,

Petition of A. J. Rodman and sixty others, praying for the passage of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 755, A.,

Petition of A. Hauske and thirty-two others, for licensing non-resident hunters, and favoring the propagation of upland game and appropriating \$5,000 thereof.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 756, A.,

Petition of J. S. Wallbrige and fifty-four others, favoring passage of medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 757, A.,

Petition of Peter Heintz and eighteen others, favoring passage of bill No. 294, A., for the protection of public health and manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 758, A.,

Petition of Henry Furman and one hundred and five others, favoring passage of bill No. 294, A., for the protection of public health and the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By the Chair:

Telegram from Mr. A. F. Warden of Waukesha, Wis., announcing the death at Lamar, Mo., of his father Allen Warden, one of the signers of the present state constitution.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has non-concurred in

No. 168, A.,

A bill to provide punishment for taking indecent or improper liberties with a child,

No. 186, A.,

A bill to amend section 3069, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to appealable orders.

Has concurred in

No. 37, A.,

A bill authorizing Price county to issue bonds for certain purposes,

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, revised statutes, relating to garnishee proceedings in justice courts,

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63, of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds toward the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes.

Has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in No. 99, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act to authorize parties therein named to construct and maintain a dam or dams across the Chief river, town 41 north, range 7 west, and to collect toll on the same,"

No. 137, S.,

A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty for a violation of its provisions,

No. 148, S.,

A bill concerning the territorial boundaries of cities and villages,

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

No. 266, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 50 of the laws of 1889, relating to the terms of court in the second judicial circuit,

No. 304, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 215 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act in relation to appeals to the supreme court in certain cases."

And has adopted and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 40, S.,

Allowing Senator Whelan to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 40, S.,

Allowing Senator Whelan to introduce a bill,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows :

No. 99, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Lumber and Mining.

No. 137, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 148, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Cities.

No. 252, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Manufactures.

No. 266, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 304, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence,

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize Joseph Mardin, Jr., his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan in Door county,

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 54, laws of 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 113, S.,

A bill to authorize cities in certain cases to divide unpaid street and sewer assessments into installments, and give time for the payment thereof, to facilitate the funding of municipal indebtedness and for other purposes,

No. 292, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of dairy statistics,

No. 318, S.,

A bill authorizing corporations organized under chapter 91, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the year 1878, to change their names,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the election, or the appointment of women upon school boards or boards of education, in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters,

Was ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 176, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

Was adopted, and

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 200, A.

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of La Crosse, in and for the county of La Crosse,

Was adopted, and

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute offered by committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers,"

With an amendment offered by Mr. Treat, as follows:

Amend by striking out from the first section of said substitute the words, "to the sale in the original package of any goods, wares, merchandise, notions or other articles of trade whatever, imported into the state from outside state or,"

Was adopted, and

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Lange moved that five hundred additional copies of bill No. 10, S., relating to the insurance code, be printed for the use of the assembly.

The motion was ruled out of order for the reason that the bill had not reached the assembly.

Mr. Lange appealed from the ruling and the house sustained the speaker's decision.

Mr. Flett moved that bills Nos. 614 and 615, A., be re-referred to the committee on Railroads.

So re-referred.

On motion of Mr. Utt,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Simonds offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—88.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Ackermann, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Dresser, Gawin, Jones D. F., Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, Plummer, Sether and Sieker—12.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Ackermann, D. F. Jones, McDonald, Bechtel, Gawin, Dresser, Borchsenius and Plummer for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

On motion of Mr. True,
Three hundred additional copies of bill No, 378, A., were ordered to be printed.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 759, A.,

Remonstrance of Steel Plant Tent No. 31 and others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 760, A.,

Remonstrance of Chas. Rice and sixty-seven others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 761, A.,

Remonstrance of sixty-six voters of Oshkosh, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Eaton:

Pet. No. 762, A.,

Remonstrance of Immaculate Conception Court C. O. F. and thirty others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 763, A.,

Remonstrance of F. C. Blair and others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buttles:

Pet. No. 764, A.,

Remonstrance of John C. Bosshard and many others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 765, A.,

Remonstrance of H. C. Wilson and thirty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 766, A.,

Remonstrance of E. M. Woodruff and twenty-one others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Feige:

Pet. No. 767, A.,

Remonstrance of T. J. Illing and forty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 768, A.,

Remonstrance of H. R. Leonard and thirty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 769, A.,

Remonstrance of one hundred and eighty voters of Fond du Lac county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 770, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Fond du Lac county, against passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 771, A.,

Remonstrance of W. Y. McCloskey and 52 others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 772, A.,

Petition of citizens of Dodge and Jefferson counties, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 773, A.,

Petition of E. Barnick and eighteen others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 774, A.,

Petition of Daniel Monroe and 20 others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 775, A.,

Petition of John Tromader and forty-two others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 776, A.,

Petition of Farmers' club of Watertown and thirty-three others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 777, A.,

Petition of Philip Kiefer and fifteen others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 778, A.,

Petition of F. A. Sedgwick and others, in reference to the pharmacy bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 779, A.,

Petition of F. S. Woodnorth, in reference to pharmacy bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 780, A.,

Petition of Charles Ganson, in reference to pharmacy bills.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 781, A.,

Petition of H. P. Clark and one hundred and forty-four others, favoring amendment to constitution providing for board of pardons.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 782, A.,

Petition of A. C. Dodge and eighty others, favoring amendment to constitution providing for a board of pardons.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 783, A.,

Petition requesting the passage of bill No. 119, S., relating to convict labor.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 784, A.,

Petition requesting the passage of bill No. 119, S., relating to convict labor.

To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 785, A.,

Petition of A. A. Porter and twenty others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 786, A.

Petition of O. M. Selund and thirteen others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Feige:

Pet. No. 787, A.,

Petition of Otto Pergande and thirty others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 788, A.,

Petition of forty-six business men of Fond du Lac, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 789, A.,

Petition of W. J. Lowry and one hundred and eighteen others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 790, A.,

Petition of J. M. Baker and thirty-two others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 791, A.,

Petition of George M. Carnackan and thirty-six others, for passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 792, A.,

Petition of John S. Isaacson and twenty-five others, for the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 793, A.,

Petition of Frank L. Pierce and sixty-eight others, in favor of the bill to reduce the toll on the Chippewa bridge.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 794, A.,

Remonstrance of A. C. Rankel and one hundred and twenty others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 795, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Racine county, against the passage of the lien law.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 796, A.,

Petition of Hon. Gabe Bouck and fourteen others, for the passage of the bill relating to city printing.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 797, A.,

Petition of J. F. Luke and twenty-four others, for the passage of the bill relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 798, A.,

Remonstrance of residents of Outagamie county, against net fishing in Winnebago and neighboring lakes.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 799, A.,

Petition of C. W. Milbrath and others, in favor of the passage of the bill to license resident and non-resident hunters, and the propagation of upland game by the state.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 800, A.,

Petition of C. H. Fiebrantz and others, in favor of the passage of the bill to license resident and non-resident hunters and the propagation of upland game by the state.

□ To committee on Fish and Game.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Lange:

Jt. Res. No. 28, A.,

That 500 extra copies of bill No. 10, senate, "To revise the insurance laws of the state of Wisconsin," be printed for the use of the members of the assembly,

On a division of the house,

Was adopted.

By Mr. Bullard:

Res. No. 21, A.,

The sad news of the death of Hon. Allen Warden, at his home in Lamar, Missouri, has been received by the presiding officer of this body. Mr. Warden was a member of the second constitutional convention of this state, and one of the signers of the present constitution. He was a man of rugged intellectuality and will be greatly mourned.

~~He~~ In view of his services as one of the founders of our present state government, it is proper that the assembly should take notice of his death, and the following resolutions are submitted:

Resolved by the assembly of the state of Wisconsin, That they have heard with regret of the death of the Hon. Allen Warden, and that we tender to his mourning family and friends our deepest sympathy with their great loss.

Resolved further, That a copy of this preamble and resolution be published, engrossed and forwarded to the family of the deceased.

Was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

By Mr. Hall:

Res. No. 22, A.,

Resolved, That no adjournment of the assembly take place except from day to day until April 3d next.

Was laid over.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McGrath:

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the word "steam, electric or cable."

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 120, S.,

A bill authorizing cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes, and to create park commissions and prescribe their powers and duties.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 258, A.,

A bill to provide for the raising of school fund income and the distribution of the same,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Edwards dissenting.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes relating to the assessment of property,

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justice courts, and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of the revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law,

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums,

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in the form of a substitute and recommend that the substitute be adopted, and that the bill when so amended do pass.

W. A. JONES,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in Mem. to congress, No. 4, A.,

Requesting congress to pass house of representatives bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks of the United States railway mail service.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 157, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago.

And has concurred in,

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin."

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in, No. 32, S.,

A bill relative to establishing free public libraries in cities, villages and towns,

No. 62, S.,

A bill amending section 3840 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 171 of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 141, S.,

A bill to amend section 540, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, prescribing certain duties of town treasurers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 267, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 7 of article 7 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 324, S.,

A bill to authorize Mitland H. Wilcox to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a spring brook in Dunn county, Wisconsin

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 157, A.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read first and second times and referred as follows:

Nos. 32, and 141, S.,

To committee on Education.

Nos. 62, and 267, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

No. 324, S.,

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 139, S.,

A bill relating to the election or appointment of women upon school boards or boards of education, in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs,
Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Rosenkrans,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc,"

Was recommitted to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met,
The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Agen,
The senate was requested to return to the assembly bill No.
113, S.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions
for libel thereon and damages therefor,

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section
3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed
me to report the same back with amendments, with the recom-
mendation that the same do pass when so amended.

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon in-
land lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of
such lands,

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 3534 of the revised statutes, relating to foreclosures of mortgages by advertisement.

With the recommendation that the same do pass,

No. 219, A.,

A bill to create a superior court in Winnebago county,

No. 436, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 179 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1880, entitled, "An act to confer certain police powers upon agents of the Wisconsin humane society,"

No. 438, A.,

A bill to amend section 2356 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to divorce from the bond of matrimony,

No. 465, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 277, of the laws of 1895, relating to the time of holding the terms of court in the several counties in the 17th judicial circuit,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

The proposed amendments to bills Nos. 128 and 584, A., are as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 128, A., proposed by the assembly Judiciary committee.

In the first line of section 1 of the printed bill strike out the word "suit" and insert in place thereof the words "civil action."

Strike out lines 12 and 13 of section 1.

In the third line of section 4 of said printed bill, strike out the word "may," and insert in place thereof the word "shall," and after the word "considered" insert the word "only," and after the word "the" and before the word "damages," insert the word "punitive."

Add a new section as follows: Section 5. "This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication."

Amendments to bill No. 584, A., as proposed by the assembly Judiciary committee:

In the 11th and 12th lines, and also in the 33d and 34th lines of section 1 of the printed bill, strike out the words "after the ground of such change of place of trial shall have ceased to exist," in both places.

After the word "court" where it occurs in the 13th line and also in the 35th line in each place add the words following:

Provided that if there be any legal objection to prevent the judge of said court from acting therein he shall request some other circuit judge to preside and act therein in his stead."

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176, chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government, as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for 1893,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 20, A.,

A bill to amend sections 52 and 136, of chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 62, A.,

A bill relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets, the making of gutters and sidewalks thereon, and the laying of sewer and water pipes therein and the issuing of improvement bonds thereon in cities of 50,000 inhabitants and upwards,

No. 311, A.,

A bill fixing the number of assessors in cities of less than 10,000 inhabitants,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 247, S.,

A bill authorizing the common council of cities to change the number and boundaries of wards by ordinances,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

FRANK A. ANSON,

Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 145, A.,

A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in common schools.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 143, S.,

A bill to provide for an increase of income of normal schools,

No. 199, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, laws of 1895, relating to school libraries,

No. 140, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of teachers in towns having the township system of school government,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 534, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, regarding high schools,

No. 322, A.,

A bill to direct the board of trustees of certain villages to turn over one-half of the money received from licenses to the use of public schools,

No. 608, A.,

A bill relating to physical education as a regular branch of instruction in the public schools,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board,

With an amendment, and recommend that when so amended the bill do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 450, A., is as follows,

Amend bill No. 450, A., by adding the following section:

"This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication."

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 1862 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the formation and powers of street railways,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties,

In form of a substitute and with the recommendation that the substitute bill be printed and returned to the committee.

So ordered as to printing of substitute.

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' " and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

With an amendment, and recommend that when so amended it do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 430, A., is as follows:

Strike out all of the said section 10, in the eighth line, and amend so that section 10 shall read as follows:

"Section 10. All the stock of every corporation organized under this act shall be assessed and taxed in the county and assessment district where such corporation is located for the transaction of business. Such stock shall be entered upon the assessment roll in the names of the holders of the several shares thereof respectively. Upon the demand of the assessor, the president, cashier or other officer in charge of any such corporation, shall make out and deliver to such assessor annually, before the first day of June, a statement showing the name and residence of each stockholder therein on the first day of May preceding, and the amount of stock owned or held by him on that day. And the assessor shall assess said stock as other taxable property in his assessment district, excluding, however, the valuation, as assessed for taxation, of any real estate owned and occupied by said corporation in the transaction of its business."

C. A. STANLEY,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets,

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 338, A., was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

No. 548, A.,

A bill to prohibit and suppress pool selling and book-making,
No. 392, A.,

A bill to amend section 1779, revised statutes of state of Wisconsin, relating to powers and regulations of Driving Park association,

No. 369, A.,

A bill to vacate cemeteries in the city of Waupun, Dodge county, Wis.,

No. 203, A.,

A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers and the appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof,

With recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 115, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to the Wisconsin State Firemen's Association,

With recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled,
"An act to establish a board of immigration,"

With amendment in the form of substitute, and recommend its passage when so amended.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 9, S.,

A bill relating to general elections and amendatory of section 40, chapter 288, laws of 1893,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 25, A.,

A bill to legalize election districts in certain cases,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines in the town of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 371, A.,

A bill to amend sections 731, 4913 and 604 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of sheriffs,

No. 464, A.,

A bill relating to the alteration of school districts and amendatory of section 412 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 355 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1885,

No. 489, A.,

A bill to provide for and limit the length of sessions of county boards in counties having 30,000 population or less,

No. 490, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust representation on county boards,

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officers to procure surety companies as sureties on official bonds,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 564, A.,

A bill relating to the method of platting lands, and recording the same, and amendatory of section 2261a of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and section 1 of chapter 460, laws of 1889,

No. 585, A.,

A bill to regulate the compensation of county officers and establish salaried officers in the several counties throughout the state,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred:

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Resolved that the assembly, the senate concurring, Send the strong sympathy of the people of the state of Wisconsin to

the people of Cuba, in their heroic struggle for freedom from Spanish misrule, oppression and tyranny; that we protest, in the name of a common humanity, against the unspeakable cruelties, the shocking atrocities, now being committed by Spanish armies in that unhappy island; cruelties and atrocities unknown to civilized warfare and practiced only among savages; and that we earnestly urge upon the government of the United States to promptly and vigorously take such action as international law will permit, and humanity and civilization demand, to bring to a speedy close the butcheries and barbarities now going on under the name of war, and secure, if possible, to the people of that island, liberty and lasting peace,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 105, S.,

A bill to cede certain lands in Calumet county, Wisconsin, to the United States.

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

O. L. ROSENKRANS,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and recommend that when so amended it do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 123, A.:

Amend by striking out section 4 and number section 5, section 7 number 6, section 8 number 7, so that the bill when amended shall read as follows:

VIOLATIONS.

Section 4. If the owner of a diseased apiary, honey or appliances, sell, barter, or give away, any bees, honey or expose said disease to the danger of other bees, or refuse to allow said inspector to inspect shall on conviction before a justice of the peace, be liable to a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, nor less than one month's imprisonment in the county jail, nor more than two months' imprisonment.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Section 5. The inspector of apiaries shall issue an annual report to the governor of Wisconsin, giving the number of apiaries visited, the number of diseased apiaries found, the number of colonies treated; also the number of colonies destroyed by fire; and his expenses.

EXPENSES.

Section 6. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) per year, for the suppression of foul breed among bees in Wisconsin. Said inspector shall receive four dollars (\$4) per day and traveling expenses for actual time served, which sum shall not exceed the moneys hereby appropriated, to be paid by the state treasurer, upon warrants drawn and approved by the governor.

Section 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment to title, and verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The title as above amended and the verbal corrections were adopted.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 335, A.,

A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

No. 112, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county,"

No. 182, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorney,"

No. 143, A.,

A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin Industrial School for Girls,

No. 14, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 202, A.,

A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits into the general fund,

No. 118, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 290, of the laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of a work house by any one, two or more counties within the state in which to confine certain offenders at hard labor and prescribing and regulating the punishment for certain offenses,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined, and find correctly engrossed:

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries, and amendatory of section 934, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin.

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895,

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than 3,000 population, incorporated by special act or under general laws, to change their names,

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial,"

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending section 1570 of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers,"

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on their Third Reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 41, S.,

Authorizing Senator Stout to introduce a bill.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in,
No. 174, S.,

A bill to change the title of corresponding secretary of the state historical society,

No. 241, S.,

A bill relating to security for costs, and amendatory of section 2943 of the revised statutes,

No. 340, S.,

A bill relating to admission or license to practice as attorneys of courts of record in this state and amendatory of sub-division 2 of section 2586 of the revised statutes of Wis., as amended by chapter 144 of the laws of Wis. of 1881, and chapter 63 of the laws of Wis. for 1885,

No. 365, S.,

A bill to provide for the safe investment of school funds.

An has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county.

And has concurred in,

No. 13, A.,

A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wisconsin,

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river in Barron county, Wis.,

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county.

And returns to assembly as requested,

No. 113, S.,

A bill to authorize cities in certain cases to divide unpaid street and sewer assessments into installments, and give time for the payment thereof to facilitate the funding of municipal indebtedness and for other purposes.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

The vote by which the assembly concurred in bill No. 13, S. :
Was reconsidered.

Mr. Agen offered the following amendment to No. 113, S.

Amend bill 113, S., by striking out all that portion of section one beginning with the word "which" in section one and ending with the word "same" in said section 1.

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was then concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 41, S.,

Authorizing Senator Stout to introduce a bill,
Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 174, S.,

To committee on Education.

Nos. 241, S., and 340, S.,

To the committee on Judiciary.

No. 365, S.,

To the committee on Education.

The senate amendment in form of a substitute to bill No. 125,
A.,

Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Barnum,
Three hundred additional copies of bill No. 128, A., with proposed amendments,
Were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Simonds offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—98.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Sether and Stone—2.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Stone until next Friday.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

38—A. J.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 801, A.,

Remonstrance of W. H. Hogan and eighteen others, against the passage of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 802, A.,

Remonstrance of sixteen members of the Royal League, of Oshkosh, against the passage of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 803, A.,

Remonstrance of sixteen voters of Oshkosh, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 804, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Milwaukee county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 805, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Milwaukee county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

Pet. No. 806, A.,

Remonstrance of Otto Zeiher and fifty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 807, A.,

Remonstrance of Louis Schroeder and twenty-five others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 808, A.,

Remonstrance of W. H. Starkweather and others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 809, A.,

Remonstrance of one hundred and twenty-eight voters of Fond du Lac county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 810, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Waupaca county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 811, A.,

Remonstrance of H. Benlick and thirty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 812, A.,

Remonstrance of Peter J. Flasch and sixty-eight others, against the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 813, A.,

Remonstrance of Sheridan Tent, K. O. T. M., and forty-seven others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 814, A.,

Remonstrance of Howard Teasdale and seventy-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 815, A.,

Remonstrance of W. W. DeLano and eighty-eight others,

against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Clark:

Pet. No. 816, A.,

Remonstrance of A. Schleisman and forty others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 817, A.,

Remonstrance of E. C. Notbohm and one hundred and thirty-two others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 818, A.,

Remonstrance of G. J. Cline and thirteen others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

Pet. No. 819, A.,

Remonstrance of P. A. Wanecsk and sixty-four others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

Pet. No. 820, A.,

Remonstrance of W. A. Hannan and sixty others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

Pet. No. 821, A.,

Remonstrance of Hugo Lippert and twenty-four others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., as amended, known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 822, A.,

Remonstrance of T. F. Vannedom and thirty-five others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 823, A.,

Remonstrance of Michael Ruplinger and twenty-three others, against the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Utt:

Pet. No. 824, A.,

Remonstrance of R. B. Lucky and eighty-one others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Pet. No. 825, A.,

Remonstrance of Peter L. Pierron and thirty-seven others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 826, A.,

Remonstrance against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 827, A.,

Remonstrance against the removal of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Dresser:

Pet. No. 828, A.,

Petition of J. H. Sawyer and forty-five others, for passage of bill in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 829, A.,

Petition of S. M. Scott and thirty-four others, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hughes:

Pet. No. 830, A.,

Petition of F. B. Hamilton and sixteen others, in favor of Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 831, A.,

Petitions of citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 832, A.,
Petition of H. Roemer and thirty-two others, for the removal
of the Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Polacheck: (By request.)

Pet. No. 833, A.,
Petition in favor of recalling the Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 834, A.,
Petition of Charles F. Zantner and fifty others, in favor of
recalling the Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 835, A.,
Petition in favor of recalling the Marquette statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Yorkey:

Pet. No. 836, A.,
Petition of H. B. Thompson and others, in favor of the Fair-
child statue.
To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 837, A.,
Petition of Joseph Mayors and twenty-four others, for the pas-
sage of bill No. 19, S., relating to convict labor.
To committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 838, A.,
Petition of John E. Stanley and seventy others, a g
division of Chippewa county.
To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 839, A.,
Petition of W. H. Hogan and twenty others, against the di-
vision of Chippewa county.
To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 840, A.,
Petition of Fred Gneivilow and thirty-two others, in favor of
the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.
To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 841, A.,
Petition of Wm. Froemming and nineteen others, in favor of
the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.
To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 842, A.,

Petition of Alex. Bailey and eighteen others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Ry Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 843, A.,

Petition of S. M. Cole and others, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 844, A.,

Petition of H. Irish and others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 845, A.,

Remonstrance of B. G. Mittimore and seventeen others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 846, A.,

Petition of residents of Appleton, in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 847, A.,

Petition of D. J. Hotchkiss and forty others, against the spring shooting of ducks, excepting mallard, teal and wood duck.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 848, A.,

Petition of J. J. Selback and others, in favor of the passage of a medical bill that will drive quacks out of the state.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 849, A.,

Petition of citizens of Waukesha county, in favor of a license on non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Krauss:

Pet. No. 850, A.,

Favoring the passage of No. 593, A., relating to department stores.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 851, A.,

Signed by five hundred and ninety persons of Walworth county, favoring the passage of bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Buckstaff:

Pet. No. 852, A.,

For anti-pool-selling bill.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 853, A.,

Remonstrance of sixty-five citizens of the village and town of Kewaskum, Washington county, against the passage of bill No. 508, A.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 854, A.,

Women praying band of the second ward of the city of Madison, asking for the passage of bill No. 506, A., prohibiting the granting of license in certain cases.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 855, A.,

Protest of C. F. Winman and twenty-three others of Sauk City, Sauk county, against the revision of insurance code, relating to fraternal orders.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 856, A.,

In favor of passage of bill 439, A., by citizens of Ripon.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 857, A.,

For taxing mortgages.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 858, A.,

Petition of Farmers' Institute held at Rosendale, for anti-pass measure.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 859, A.,

Of J. W. Ellwood and fifty-five others of Fennimore, asking for passage of bill No. 303, A., relating to exemptions from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 860, A.,

Petition of citizens of Oshkosh, asking for the passage of bill No. 303, A., relating to exemptions from taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 861, A.,

For passage of bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 634, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 167 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health."

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 34, S.,

Authorizing the governor to have control of office room in capitol,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 150, S.,

A bill to set aside certain state land to the Wisconsin Military Reservation,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 630, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the payment of taxes in villages in the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills in their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize Geo. W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218 of the laws of 1882, chapter 510 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 81 of the laws of 1895, relating to peddlers,

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

Memorial to Congress No. 2, A.,

Requesting consideration and passage of senate bill No. 3058, now pending in congress,

No. 52, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors,

No. 116, A.,

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to duties and powers of superintendent of work house,

No. 74, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal court and police court of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years,

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred:
No. 34, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 382, of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a deep channels commissioner of Wisconsin and to make an appropriation therefor,"

No. 424, A.,

A bill authorizing the railroad commissioner to compile the railroad laws of the state of Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that action upon the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general,

With amendment, and with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 415, A., are as follows:

Strike out the words and figures eighteen hundred (1800) in line 3, section 2, of the printed bill and insert in lieu thereof the words fifteen hundred.

Strike out the words and figures "fifteen hundred (1500)," "twelve hundred (1200)" and "nine hundred (900)" in lines 4 and 5 of said section 2 of the printed bill and insert in lieu thereof the words "nine hundred," "eight hundred" and "six hundred" respectively.

WILLIAM G. WHEELER

Chairman.

No. 415, A., was referred to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bill:

No. 200, A.,

A bill to confer and impose criminal jurisdiction upon the county court of La Crosse county.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bill was referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 28, A.,

Ordering five hundred extra copies of No. 10, S., to revise the insurance law.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 22, A.,

Relating to adjournment,

Was, on a division of the house,

Not adopted: Ayes, 42; noes, 50.

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Expressing sympathy with the Cuban patriots,

Was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of property,

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justice's courts, and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law,

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums,

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name,

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

Mr. Borchsenius, by unanimous consent, offered the following amendment to bill

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products,

Insert the word "August" in the 22d line where the word "July" appears.

Insert the word "August" in the 23d line where the word "July" appears.

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was then read a third time and passed,

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

The rules were suspended in order to permit a motion to be made for reconsideration of the vote by which bill No. 2, A., was, on March 5th, indefinitely postponed.

Mr. W. A. Jones moved that this vote on bill No. 2, A., be reconsidered.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost: Ayes, 24; noes, 43.

Jt. Res. No. 12, S.,

Resolution adding section to the constitution providing for a board of pardons,

The ayes and noes being required, concurrence was refused.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 32; noes, 62; absent or not voting, 6.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Buffington, Bullard, Clason, Dresser, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Harvey, Hogan, Jones W. A., Latta, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Overbeck, Pierce, Rutherford, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Hall, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Thompson, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger and Yorkey—62.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clack, Clark, Reynolds, Sether, Stone and Woller—6.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

No. 26, A.,

A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889,

The question being upon the engrossment and third reading of the bill,

The ayes and noes being demanded it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 31; noes, 64; absent or not voting, 5.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Butties, Cashin, Church, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Hogan, Hurd, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, Olson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Treat, Tucker, Utt, White and Wolfinger—32.

Noes—Messrs. Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson,

Polacheck, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, True, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—64.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. McGrath, Parker, Sether and Stone—4.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 106, A.,

A bill to amend section 90 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, relating to the letting of contracts for public work in cities,

No. 492, A.,

A bill to amend section 204, chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to the building of sidewalks in cities.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

With amendments, with the recommendation that they do pass, when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 23, A.:

Amend section one by striking out the words "in lieu of" where they appear in the second line and insert in lieu thereof the word "after."

Also by striking out the word "one" where it appears in the third and seventh lines.

Also by inserting after the word "attorney" in the seventh line the words "city assessor."

Amend section four by inserting after the word "commission," in the fourth and ninth line of said section, the following: "to be determined by ordinance of the common council."

Amend section five by striking out all between the word "council" in the third line thereof the following: "of any city which shall have determined to have a water commission as provided in section four of this act shall at its," and by striking out all of line five after the word "council" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thereafter."

Amendments to bill No. 65, A.,

Amend section by striking out the word "and" where it occurs in line nine of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the word "which" and by inserting after the word "appointment" in said line nine of the printed bill the words "shall be for the unexpired term and."

Also by inserting after the word "city," in line 12 of the printed bill, the words "for the unexpired term," so that said section one when so amended shall read as follows:

Section 1. In all cities of this state having a population of 100,000 or more, according to the last previous national or state census, and where no provision of law is now made for filling vacancies which may occur in any city office, it is hereby made the duty of the city clerk within forty-eight hours after he shall have learned or been notified of any vacancy of such office, to forthwith certify the same under his hand and official seal to the mayor of said city, and it shall thereupon be made the duty of such mayor within thirty days after he shall have received said notice, to appoint some suitable person to fill the office so made vacant and to notify the common council of

said appointment, which said appointment shall be for the unexpired term, and shall be subject to the confirmation of such common council or the same shall not be operative. Provided, however, that in case of vacancy in the office of mayor, the same shall be filled by election by the common council of such city for the unexpired term. A majority vote of all the members elect shall be necessary to make a valid election.

Amendments to No. 81, A.

Amend section one so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "and in cities of the first class the construction, improvement and maintenance of flushing tunnels with the buildings and machinery for operating the same," so that the same when so amended shall read as follows:

2. For the construction and extension of water works, or the purchase of the same, and for constructing sewers, and for the improvement and maintenance of the same, and in cities of the first class, the construction, improvement and maintenance of flushing tunnels with the buildings and machinery for operating the same.

Amendment of bill No. 264, A.,

Amend section 3:

By striking out after the word "comptroller," in line 6 of the printed bill, "at the time of making its annual report," and inserting "within ten days after the passage and publication of this act, and thereafter before the 20th day of January in each year," so that the section as amended will read as follows:

Section 3. From and after the passage and publication of this act, the common council shall levy and collect annually, upon all taxable property of said city, at the same time and in the same manner as other city taxes are levied and collected by law, a special tax not exceeding one thirty-fifth (1-35) of a mill upon each dollar of the assessed value of said taxable property, the amount of which shall be determined by said board of city service commissioners and certified by it to the common council and to the city comptroller within ten days after the passage and publication of this act, and thereafter before the 20th day of January in each year, and the entire amount of such special tax shall constitute a separate and distinct fund to be known as the "city civil service fund," and shall not be used or appropriated, directly or indirectly, for any other purpose than paying the salaries of the chief examiner, clerks and employes of said board and the other necessary expenses of carrying out the purposes of this act. All disbursements on account of such city civil service fund, except for the salary of the chief examiner, shall be paid by the city treasurer on the orders of the president and secretary of the board, countersigned by the city comptroller.

Amendments to bill No. 611, A.:

Amend section 1 by adding thereto the following words: "Provided, such extensions be made without expense to said city, and that the rates to be charged for water to consumers beyond the corporate limits of said city, shall be fixed by the common council of such city upon the recommendation of the board of public works thereof."

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:
No. 36, A.,

A bill relating to removal of fences, widening or altering any public highway through any inclosed, cultivated or improved lands, and amendatory of section 1284 of chapter 52, of the annotated statutes,

No. 262, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 38, of the laws of the state for the year 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the building of a bridge across the Chippewa at Durand,"

No. 565, A.,

A bill relating to highways in certain counties and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways.

With amendment, with the recommendation that the same do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 316, A.:

Bill No. 316, A., is hereby amended by inserting in the third line of the printed bill the word "state," the words "providing, however, that this act shall in nowise interfere with the tunneling or piping of water for the purpose of draining or improving any lands upon either side of such highways."

JAS. O. DAVIDSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 367, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 226 of the laws of 1889, relating to the collection of statistics of farm products,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 374, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Zacharias Simonsen and Charles Simonsen the sum of one hundred and forty (140) dollars for money erroneously paid to the state for swamp and overflowed lands,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 176, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs.

GEORGE W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred.

No. 287, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment and salaries of under sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in Milwaukee county,

No. 518, A.,

A bill to enable the town of Pelican, in the county of Oneida, to own and maintain a town hall within the limits of the city of Rhinelander, and to exempt the same from taxation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin,

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than three thousand population, incorporated by special act or general laws, to change their names,

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association, of the city of Elroy, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds, and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries, and amendatory of section 934 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial,"

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

The verbal corrections were adopted.

Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 15, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the general laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 476, A.,

A bill to better regulate the sale of intoxicating drinks,

No. 226, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 182, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act amendatory of chapter 361, laws of 1891, entitled, 'An act to exempt certain property from taxation, and amendatory of section 1038 of the revised statutes,' "

No. 468, A.,

A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation.

No. 463, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052 of the revised statutes, relative to the valuation of property for the purposes of assessment.

No. 461, A.,

A bill to amend section 1133 of the revised statutes, relating to the compensation for publishing the list and notice of sale of lands for taxes.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 239, S.,

A bill to amend section 942, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to county, town, village or city bonds issued in aid of railroads,

No. 267, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 7 of article 7 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to liability of common carriers,

No. 196, A.,

A bill to amend section 2356 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to causes for divorce,

No. 409, A.,

A bill to amend section 694a, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to sheriffs,

No. 500, A.,

A bill to amend section 4075 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Jt. Res. No. 14, A.,

A joint resolution for appointment of a commission to investigate and report on system of land registration and provide for publication of report of same,

No. 391, A.,

A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891,

No. 470, A.,

A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, pictures, etc., and for the issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws 1895, relating to Nashotah house,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 425, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit,

With amendment, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended,

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 425, A.,

Strike out section 2 of the printed bill and substitute therefor the following: "Section 2. The terms of the circuit court for Adams county shall be held on the second Tuesday in June and the third Tuesday in December."

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, Jt. Res., No. 14, A. was re-committed to the committee on cities.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred:

No. 288, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of low water levels in inland lakes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that action upon the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 258 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating moneys therefor," "

Have prepared and herewith report a substitute for such bill and recommend that the substitute do pass.

WILLIAM G. WHEELER,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it do pass,

Mr. Wolfinger dissenting.

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, balls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

No. 497, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Calumet to issue bonds for the purpose of securing aid for the building of a sugar beet factory and refinery,

No. 544, A.,

A bill providing that the state shall repay to any county all the money paid by it in excess of \$5,000 in the prosecution of any one criminal case,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney-general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

With amendments and recommend its passage when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend section 1 of bill No. 413, A., by striking out the words and figures "five thousand" (\$5,000.00) where they appear in the third line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand" (\$2,000.00), and also by adding to the same section the words: "provided said money shall only be used for the detection and prosecution of trusts and combines formed for the purposes of affecting trade or manufactures and restraint thereof."

S. W. PIERCE,
Chairman pro tem.

No. 413, A., with proposed amendments,

Was recommitted to the committee on Claims

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, entitled, "An act relating to the organization of corporations for the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, asylums or institutions for the care, treatment or relief of insane or feeble minded persons, and amendatory of chapter 86 of the revised statutes, entitled, 'Of the organization of corporations.' "

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 16, S.,

A bill to promote physical education,

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment to bill

No. 48, A.,

Was laid over until tomorrow for consideration.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 16, S.,

To committee on Education.

No. 121, S.,

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

It was ordered that the senate be requested to return to the assembly for further consideration, bill No. 317, A

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Mr. Peterson moved that bill No. 143, S., be made a special order of business for next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost: Noes, 31; ayes, 21.

No. 9, S.,

A bill relating to general elections and amendatory of chapter 288, laws of 1893,

No. 105, S.,

A bill to cede certain lands in Calumet county, Wisconsin, to the United States,

No. 115, S.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to the Wisconsin State Firemen's Association,

No. 120, S.,

A bill authorizing cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes, and to create park commissions and prescribe their powers and duties,

No. 140, S.,

A bill to amend section 529, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to the employment of teachers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 143, S.,

A bill to provide for an increase of income of normal schools,

No. 199, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, laws of 1895, relating to school libraries,

No. 247, S.,

A bill authorizing the common council of cities to change the number and boundaries of wards by ordinances,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.



BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 20, A.,

A bill to amend sections 52 and 136, of chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 25, A.,

A bill to legalize election districts in certain cases,

No. 62, A.,

A bill relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets, the making of gutters and sidewalks

thereon, and the laying of sewer and water pipes therein and the issuing of improvement bonds thereon in cities of 50,000 inhabitants and upwards,

No. 84, A.,

A bill to amend section 1862 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the formation and powers of street railways,

No. 203, A.,

A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers and the appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof,

No. 219, A.,

A bill to create a superior court in Winnebago county,

No. 311, A.,

A bill fixing the number of assessors in cities of less than 10,000 inhabitants,

No. 322, A.,

A bill to direct the board of trustees of certain villages to turn over one-half of the moneys received from licenses to the use of public schools,

No. 369, A.,

A bill to vacate cemeteries in the city of Waupun, Dodge county, Wis.,

No. 371, A.,

A bill to amend sections 731, 4913 and 604 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of sheriffs,

No. 392, A.,

A bill to amend section 1779, revised statutes of state of Wisconsin, relating to powers and regulations of Driving Park association.

No. 436, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 179 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1880, entitled, "An act to confer certain police powers upon agents of the Wisconsin humane society,"

No. 438, A.,

A bill to amend section 2356 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to divorce from the bond of matrimony,

No. 464, A.,

A bill relating to the alterations of school districts and amendatory of section 412 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 355 of the laws for 1885,

No. 465, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 277, of the laws of 1895, relating to the time of holding the terms of court in the several counties in the 17th judicial circuit,

No. 489, A.,

A bill to provide for and limit the length of sessions of county boards in counties having 30,000 population or less,

No. 490, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust representation on county boards,

No. 534, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, regarding high schools,

No. 564, A.,

A bill relating to the method of platting lands, and recording the same, amendatory of section 2261a of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and section 1 of chapter 460, laws of 1889,

No. 585, A.,

A bill to regulate the compensation of county officers and establish salaried officers in the several counties throughout the state,

No. 608, A.,

A bill relating to physical education as a regular branch of instruction in the public schools of the state and educational institutions receiving aid from the state,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

The amendment offered by the committee on Agriculture to bill

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Corporations, to bill

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' " and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Education, to bill

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board and amendatory of section 932 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to bill No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands,

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 3534 of the revised statutes, relating to foreclosures of mortgages by advertisement,

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines in the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland,

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176, chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government, as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for 1893,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, Was re-referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. Niss,

No. 258, A.,

A bill to provide for the raising of school fund income and the distribution of the same,

Was re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Lange,

No. 548, A.,

A bill to prohibit and suppress pool selling and book-making, Was laid over for consideration until to-morrow morning, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

Was re-referred to the committee on Town and County Organization.

On motion of Mr. Legried,
The rules were suspended, and
No. 247, S.,

A bill authorizing the common council of cities to change the
number and boundaries of wards by ordinances,
Was read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Simonds offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—94.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Mosher, Parker, Ray, Sether, Stone and Tucker—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Mosher and Parker for this session,

To Mr. Wipperman for the balance of this week,

To Mr. Hogan, after this session, for the balance of the week.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 862, A.,

Protest of C. S. Stiners and forty-nine others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 863, A.,

Protest of Joseph Taby and twelve others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 864, A.,

Protest of Menikanni Tent No. 2, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 865, A.,

Protest of Jas. O. Connors and eleven others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 866, A.,

Protest of Julius Bitter and eighteen others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the "insurance code."

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 867, A.,

Protest of J. M. Monroe and fifty others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 868, A.,

Protest of Max Roy and fifteen others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 869, A.,

Protest of S. Valliant and ten others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 870, A.,

Protest of Moses Bebean and thirty seven others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 871, A.,

Protest of D. Eastick and fifty others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hogan:

Pet. No. 872, A.,

Protest of Gerhard Bong and seventy-five others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 873, A.,

Protest of J. Saulson and forty-eight others, against the passage of the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 874, A.,

Remonstrance of J. F. Burnett and fourteen others,, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 875, A.,

Remonstrance of G. H. Carrivean and fifty-four others, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Pet. No. 876, A.,

Remonstrance of Gerhard Marx and fifty-one others against

fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 877, A.,

Petition of N. C. Coates and sixty-three others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 878, A.,

Petition of thirty-four inmates of the National Home at Milwaukee, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Peterson:

Pet. No. 879, A.,

Petition of A. J. Smith and thirteen others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 880, A.,

Petition of A. A. Wilben and eighty-four others, favoring the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 881, A.,

Petition favoring the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Eaton:

Pet. No. 882, A.,

Petition of F. P. Dilger and sixteen others, favoring the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clark:

Pet. No. 883, S.,

Remonstrance of Catholic Knights against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 884, A.,

Petition of H. J. Ferris and seventy-six others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 130, A., to prohibit pool-selling and book-making.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 885, A.,

Petition of F. Siede and sixty others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 886, A.,

Petition of H. H. Cremer and eighty-two others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 887, A.,

Petition of George Grimm and thirty-three others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 888, A.,

Remonstrance of R. A. Watkins and one hundred and sixty others, against bill No. 255, A., relating to county courts.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harvey:

Pet. No. 889, A.,

Petition of Chas. Hall and forty others, in relation to the fish laws.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 890, A.,

Petition of two hundred and forty-three students, of the Whitewater normal school, favoring the passage of bill No. 506, A., preventing the sale of liquor within one-half mile of university, normal school and college.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 891, A.,

Petition of Albert Salisbury and sixteen others, favoring passage of bill No. 506, A., preventing the sale of liquor within a half mile from the university, normal schools and colleges.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 892, A.,

Remonstrance by Redekers & English, and fourteen others against the passage of the proposed lien law.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 893, A.,

Petition of the Fox Lake Representative for the passage of assembly bill No. 223, A., amending the pharmacy act.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Sieker:

Pet. No. 894, A.,

Petition of Henry Griebel and thirty-five others, for the passage of the telephone bill.

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 895, A.,

Petition of H. C. Putnam and seventy-five others, in favor of the state paying the losses incurred through the Keeley cure laws.

To committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Buttles:

Jt. Res. No. 29, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That S. R. Webster be and is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to the maintenance of bridges in certain cases.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Frink:

Res. No. 23, A.,

WHEREAS, Intimations have been published in certain papers reflecting upon the honor and integrity of certain members of this assembly, therefore, be it

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to investigate the truth or falsity of such intimations and that such committee report back to the assembly at their earliest convenience.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Printing, to whom was referred:

No. 555, A.,

A bill to repeal section 331, revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended, relating to the publication of laws in newspapers,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

W. M. FOGO,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills has examined and found correctly engrossed the following bill:

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines in the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bill was referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 1, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 152 of the laws of 1852, entitled "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Orphan Asylum as amended by chapter 10 of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, 'An act to amend an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Milwaukee Orphan Asylum,' " approved March 24th, 1852,

Have examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend bill No. 462, A., by striking out the word "two" in the sixth line of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the word "one."

N. B. TREAT,

Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Burnham,

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin,

Was re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general,

Was ordered to be withdrawn from the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 415, A.,

Was recommitted to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,

No. 288, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of low water levels in inland lakes,

Was re-referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Polecheck,

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education,

Was re-committed to the committee on Education.

Mr. Eaton moved that

No. 367, A.,

Be re-referred to the committee on Agriculture,

Which motion was lost.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has non-concurred in

No. 317, A.,

Relating to guardians and wards.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of Peddlers,"

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin.

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries and amendatory of section 934 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than 3,000 population, incorporated by special act or general laws, to change their names,

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial,"

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery. Were severally read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Buffington,

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

Was laid over for further consideration until tomorrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

Was laid over for further consideration until tomorrow in its regular order.

No. 9, S.,

A bill relating to general elections and amendatory of chapter 288, laws of 1893,

No. 105, S.,

A bill to cede certain lands in Calumet county, Wisconsin, to the United States,

No. 120, S.,

A bill authorizing cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes, and to create park commissions and prescribe their powers and duties,

No. 140, S.,

A bill to amend section 529, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to the employment of teachers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 199, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 47, laws of 1895, relating to school libraries,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 115, S.,

A bill "to appropriate a sum of money therein named to the Wisconsin State Firemen's Association."

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 58; noes, 31; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hindes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Olson, Pierce, Pratt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Sieker, Staples, Sweeting, Thompson, True, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—58.

Noes—Messrs. Clack, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Krauss, Lange, Maertz, McDonald, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, Wipperman and Yorkey—31.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buffington, Mosher, Parker, Ray, Rosenkrans, Sether, Stone, Tucker, Utt and Welch—11.

No. 143, S.,

A bill to provide for an increase of income of normal schools, The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 85, noes, none; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles,

Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-
man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Over-
beck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Rey-
nolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith J. J.,
Stanley, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Utt, Webster,
Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter,
Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—85.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Frink, Hindes, Mosher, Par-
ker, Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K.,
Staples, Stone, Thompson, Tucker and Welch—15.

The senate amendment, in form of a substitute, to

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private
insane asylums,

Was refused concurrence.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and ob-
stetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

The question being upon the indefinite postponement of the
bill,

Mr. Clason offered an amendment in the form of a substitute.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Further consideration of the bill was postponed until next
Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The bill, with amendments,

Was ordered to be considered at that time in the committee
of the Whole.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 150, S.,

A bill to set aside certain state land to the Wisconsin Military
Reservation,

No. 239, S.,

A bill to amend section 942, Sanborn & Berryman's anno-
tated statutes, in relation to county, town, village or city bonds
issued in aid of railroads,

No. 267, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 7 of article 7 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 34, S..

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the governor be, and hereby is, authorized to have full control of all office rooms in the capitol, and to assign to each office or department such room or rooms as in his judgment may be required for the transaction of the business of the respective departments, and for the proper care and preservation of the records and property. All resolutions and laws interfering with this resolution are hereby repealed,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 15, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the general laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 34, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 382, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the appointment of a deep channels commissioner of Wisconsin and to make appropriations therefor,"

No. 36, A.,

A bill relating to removal of fences, widening or altering any public highway through any inclosed, cultivated or improved lands, and amendatory of section 1284 of chapter 52, of the annotated statutes,

No. 106, A.,

A bill to amend section 90 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, relating to the letting of contracts for public work in cities,

No. 120, A.,

A bill relating to liability of common carriers,

No. 196, A.,

A bill to amend section 2356 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to causes for divorce,

No. 226, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 182, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act amendatory of chapter 361, laws of 1891, entitled 'An act to exempt certain property from taxation, and amendatory of section 1038 of the revised statutes,' "

No. 262, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 38, of the laws of the state for the year 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the building of a bridge across the Chippewa at Durand,"

No. 287, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment and salaries of under-sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in Milwaukee county,

No. 367, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 226 of the laws of 1889, relating to the collection of statistics of farm products,

No. 374, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Zacharias Simonson and Charles S. Simonson the sum of one hundred and forty dollars (\$140), for money erroneously paid to the state for swamp and overflowed lands,

No. 409, A.,

A bill to amend section 694a, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to sheriffs,

No. 424, A.,

A bill authorizing the railroad commissioner to compile the railroad laws of the state of Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

No. 461, A.,

A bill to amend section 1133 of the revised statutes relating to the compensation for publishing the list and notice of sale of lands for taxes,

No. 463, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052 of the revised statutes, relative to the valuation of property for the purposes of assessment,

No. 468, A.,

A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

No. 476, A.,

A bill to better regulate the sale of intoxicating drinks,

No. 492, A.,

A bill to amend section 204, chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to the building of sidewalks in cities,

No. 497, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Calumet to issue bonds for the purpose of securing aid for the building of a beet sugar factory and refinery,

No. 500, A.,

A bill to amend section 4075 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence,

No. 518, A.,

A bill to enable the town of Pelican, in the county of Oneida, to own and maintain a town hall within the limits of the city of Rhinelander, and to exempt the same from taxation,

No. 544, A.,

A bill providing that the state shall repay to any county all money paid by it in excess of \$5,000 in the prosecution of any one criminal case,

No. 548, A.,

A bill to prohibit and suppress pool selling and book-making,

No. 565, A.,

A bill relating to highways in certain counties and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 630, A.,

A bill to extend the time for the payment of taxes in villages in the state of Wisconsin,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

Was recommitted to committee on Military Affairs.

The following amendment, to

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor,

Was offered by Mr. Lange:

Amend bill No. 128, A., as follows, that the word "only" in the third line of section 4 of said bill be stricken out and that the word "punitive" in the third line of said section 4 be omitted and that the word "actual" be inserted in place thereof, and change the word "shall" to "may," so that said section when so amended shall read:

Section 4. Any statement, explanation, correction or retraction published in any newspaper, tending to repair the injury done by its publication of a libel, shall be admissible in evidence and shall be considered in estimating the actual damages to be received.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

No. 128, A., with amendments,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets,

The ayes and noes being demanded, the bill was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 69; noes, 14; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinde, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—69.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Cashin, Clark, Feige, Fogo, Froehlich, Klabunde, Lange, Marsh, Plummer, Risum, Staples and Wheeler—14.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Frink, Hogan, Jensen, Maertz, Mosher, Olson, Parker, Ray, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Stone, Tucker, Utt, Welch and Wolfinger—17.

On motion of Mr. Buffington,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

Pursuant to Res. No. 23, A.,

The speaker appointed as a committee of investigation the following members:

Messrs. D. F. Jones, Parker, Pierce, True and Cashin.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments and recommend their passage when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 553, A.:

Amend by striking out all of section one, and in inserting in lieu thereof:

Section 1. Any convention called to elect delegates to any city, county, assembly district, senatorial district, congressional district, state or other political convention, may elect such number of delegates as the convention so called may be entitled to choose. Such convention shall also elect an alternate for each delegate chosen. No delegate so elected shall give or grant a proxy to any person, nor shall any person receive a proxy from any such delegate, but in the absence of any delegate chosen to any convention hereinbefore mentioned the alternate chosen for such absent delegate shall have and exercise all the powers and privileges to which such absent delegate might be entitled if present. The delegates and alternates present in any convention, shall be entitled to cast the full vote of the delegation of which they are members.

Also amend section 2 by striking out the word "or" where it first occurs in the third line of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and."

Amendments to bill No. 432, A.:

Amend by inserting after section 2 of the printed bill the following:

LIGHTS.

Section 3. All steam vessels navigating the lakes herein shall carry the following lights and no others in all weather from sun-set to sun-rise.

(a) On or in the forepart of the vessel, at the height above the hull of not less than the beam of the vessel, a bright white light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light of an arc of the horizon of twenty points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light ten points on each side of the vessel, namely, from the right ahead to two points abaft the beam on either side, of such character as to be visible at a distance of one mile.

(b) On the starboard side, a green light, so constructed as to throw an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such character as to be visible at least one-half mile.

(c) On the port side, a red light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the port side, and of such a character as to be visible at least one-half mile. The said green and red lights shall be filled with in-board screens projecting at least three feet forward from the light so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

STEERING.

(a) When two vessels are meeting end on, or nearly end on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard so that each shall pass on the port side of the other.

(b) When two steam vessels are crossing so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel that has the other on her starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

(c) Where, by and of these rules herein prescribed, one of two vessels shall keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

(d) Steam vessels shall in all cases keep out of the way of sailing vessels.

(e) Every vessel overtaking any other shall keep out of the way of overtaken vessel.

(f) Every steam vessel underway, in taking any course authorized or required by these rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle, to be accompanied whenever required by corresponding with her helm, and every steam vessel receiving a signal from another shall promptly re-

spond with the same signal unless the pilot of the steam vessel to which a passing signal is sounded deems it unsafe to accept or assent to said signal, he shall not sound a cross signal, but in that case, and in every case where the pilot of one steamer fails to understand the course or intentions of an approaching steamer, for any cause, the pilot of such steamer so receiving the first passing signal, or the pilot so in doubt shall sound several short and rapid blasts of the whistle, and as they shall approach each other both shall reduce their speed to bare steerageway and if necessary, stop and reverse. One blast to mean "I am directing my course to starboard," two blasts to mean "I am directing my course to port." But the giving or answering signals by a vessel required to keep her course shall not vary the duties and obligations of the respective vessels.

Section 4. Any owner, pilot, employe, or other person or persons violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in a sum not to exceed ten dollars for each and every violation, and the owner or owners of such vessel shall be liable to any person or persons for all damage caused by such violation.

Also amend section three of the printed bill by renumbering the same as section five.

S. W. PIERCE,
Chairman pro tem.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 89, A.,

A bill relating to local self-government of cities,

No. 398, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of funds paid to treasurers of cities of the first class for the redemption of outstanding tax certificates,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 475, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 261, of the laws of 1895, relating to the assessment of taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893 relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquor,

With an amendment, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 434, A.:

Amend section 1 by striking out all of said section after the word "provided" in line 27 of the printed bill and add in the place thereof the words "the provisions of this section are hereby made applicable to all cities and villages, any provision of any city or village charter to the contrary notwithstanding."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 547, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 414, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend section 1751, revised statutes of 1878, relating to corporations,"

No. 401, A.,

A bill to provide for cumulative voting for directors of a corporation,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Dairy and Food, to whom was referred:

No. 496, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud in the purchase and sale of cheese,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

WM. H. FROEHLICH,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 99, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of clerk of circuit court a salaried office,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 98, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a salaried one,

With amendmends, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend bill No. 98, A., as follows:

Insert after section two a new section as follows:

Section 3. This act shall not have any effect upon the fees or compensation of any person now acting as register of deeds of any county during his present term of office.

Re-number section 3 of the original bill "section 4."

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 614, A.,

A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1835 of the revised statutes,

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

E. D. HOYT,

Chairman.

So referred.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

A joint resolution proposing to amend section 10 of article 8 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity,

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes,"

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases,

With amendments in the form of substitute bills, with the recommendation that said substitute bills do pass instead of the original bills.

The substitute bills were ordered to be printed.

No. 124, A.,

A bill to permit sureties on bonds to limit their liability,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,'"

With amendments, with the recommendation, that when so amended, that the same be concurred in.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendment to bill No. 23, S.:

In the 17th line of section 1 of the printed bill, strike out the words "or the election by any" and insert in the place thereof the words "with the concurrence of the;" and after the word "mayor," in the 18th line of section 1, insert the words "alderman, assessor;" and further amend by adding a new section to be called section 2, as follows: "Section 2. Section 26 of chapter 326 of the laws of 1889 as amended by section 14 of the chapter 312 of the laws of 1893 is hereby amended as follows: Section 26. All officers shall hold their offices respectively for the term of one year, except aldermen who shall hold for a term of two years and until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified, unless the common council shall by ordinance provide a longer term for said officers or any of them, or unless a different term of office is expressly provided in this act."

Amend further by renumbering section "2" of the printed bill so that the same shall be section "3."

No. 503, A.,

A bill to amend section 2666 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, providing for verification of pleadings, how and by whom made,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

No. 598, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$20,420 to Dr. Montgomery for care, board and treatment of persons pursuant to orders of county courts of various counties, under chapter 203, laws of 1895,

No. 599, A.,

A bill providing for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain amounts due persons for care and treatment of persons under chapter 203, laws 1895, and payment of same, and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

No. 601, A.,

A bill to detach Chippewa county from the 11th judicial circuit, attach it to the 17th judicial circuit and to detach Clark county from the 17th judicial circuit, attach it to the 16th judicial circuit,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 293, A.,

A bill to appropriate to J. M. Thompson and Lovell & Co., of Waupun, Wis., to each a certain sum of money,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

JARVIS WHITE,
Chairman pro tem.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 3534, chapter 152 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "of the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement,"

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board and amendatory of section 932 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176, chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government, as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for 1893,"

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands,

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets,

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' " and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 176, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 293 of the laws of 1895, entitled "an act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of foods and drugs,

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895,

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines in the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 153, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

No. 149, A.,

A bill to amend section 3730, revised statutes, relating to garnishee proceedings in justice court,

No. 274, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

No. 37, A.,

A bill authorizing Price county to issue bonds for certain purposes,

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 592, A.,

A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds towards the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes,

No. 42, A.,

A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 157, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and the county of Winnebago,

No. 173, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

No. 95, A.,

A bill to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

Memorial to Congress, No. 4, A.,

Requesting congress to pass House of Representative bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks of the United States railway mail service,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BANRUM,

Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Stanley:

Res. No. 24, A.,

Resolved, That the superintendent of public property be instructed to remove the storm sash from the windows of the assembly chamber.

Was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 17, A.,

Resolutions of sympathy with Cuban patriots,

Jt. Res. No. 29, A.,

To permit S. R. Webster to introduce a bill, relating to the maintenance of bridges in certain cases.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 43, S.,

To allow Senator Roehr to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county,

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions,

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley Gun Club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county, on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section number seven, in township number seven north, of range number four west,

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as "Arbor Day."

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 17, S.,

A bill to amend section 29, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 106, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 311, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature, and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 126, S.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first, of section 52, of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government," section 142 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 199, of the general laws of 1895; sections 143, 204, 205 and 51 of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 185, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of penalties and forfeitures under the provisions of special charters in cities having 100,000 or more inhabitants and for the violation of ordinances, rules, regulations or by-laws of such city,

No. 222, S.,

A bill to legalize taxes levied under and pursuant to section 1, of chapter 224, of the laws of 1893.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 43, S.,
Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 17, S.,
To committee on Privileges and Elections.
Nos. 106 and 126, S.,
To committee on Cities.
Nos. 185 and 222, S.,
To committee on Judiciary.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 145, A.,
A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in common schools,

No. 296, A.,
A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

No. 391, A.,
A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891,

No. 470, A.,
A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscence books, pictures, etc., and for the issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 532, A.,
A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1895, relating to Nashotah house,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Bullard moved that,

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes,

Be laid over for further consideration until next Wednesday, in its regular order.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Wolter,

The vote by which bill No. 236, A., was laid over,

Was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Wolter,

No. 236, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

Was adopted.

The bill as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Roads and Bridges to

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third.

On motion of Mr. Barnum,

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

With proposed amendments,

Was laid over for further consideration until next Wednesday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Yorkey,

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

Was re-referred to the committee on Cities.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 425, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit,

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,
The rules were suspended, and
The bill was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Staples,
The assembly adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1897.

9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Simonds offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Hogan, Jones W. A., Maertz, Parker, Ray, Reinholdt, Sether and Wipperman—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. W. A. Jones, Wipperman, Maertz, Reinholdt and Parker, for this session.

To Mr. Hurlbut, until next Monday.

The journal of yesterday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Davidson:

Pet. No. 896, A.,

Petition of G. R. Twining and twenty-one others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Davidson:

Pet. No. 897, A.,

Petition of Thorn B. Wilbur and eighteen others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Church:

Pet. No. 898, A.,

Petition of R. N. Hollister and forty-seven others, in favor of the Fairchild statute.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 899, A.,

Petition of J. H. White and thirty-five others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 900, A.,

Petition of C. A. Tarbell and forty others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 901, A.,

Petition of C. H. Kellerman and twenty-two others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 902, A.,

Petition of M. H. Bacon and twenty-five others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 903, A.,

Petition of A. E. Montgomery and seventy-seven others, for the recall of the Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 904, A.,

Petition of G. N. Jones, in reference to the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Beach:

Pet. No. 905, A.,

Petition of C. H. Grout and twenty others, asking for the passage of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 906, A.,

Petition of A. L. P. Loomis and ninety-three others, for the passage of a bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Sieker:

Pet. No. 907, A.,

Petition of Frank Grether and thirty-eight others, for the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Froehlich:

Pet. No. 908, A.,

Petition of Dr. H. H. Albers and eleven others, favoring passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Rosenkrans:

Pet. No. 909, A.,

Remonstrance of Waukesha county pharmacists, against the passage of the proposed medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 910, A.,

Petition of E. A. King and thirty others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 911, A.,

Petition of F. R. Laney and eighteen others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Utt:

Pet. No. 912, A.,

Remonstrance of Fred. Klaas and fifty-two others, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 913, A.,

Remonstrance of E. W. Murray and thirty-four others, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 914, A.,

Remonstrance of M. L. Campbell and thirty-nine others, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 915, A.,

Petition from Green county, in relation to the anti-cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Wolff:

Pet. No. 916, A.,

Remonstrance of Wm. Milhaupt and one hundred other residents of Calumet county, against the passage of bill No. 497, A., authorizing Calumet county to issue bonds to erect a sugar factory.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 917, A.,

Remonstrance of George E. Chambers and forty others, against the fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 918, A.,

Petition of George Brown and eighteen others, in favor of licensing hunters, and the propagation of upland game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 919, A.,

Petition of L. Liebscher and seventeen others, in favor of licensing hunters and the propagation of upland game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 920, A.,

Petition of Rushford Division, Sons of Temperance, of Eureka, for the passage of bill No. 506, A., relating to the sale of liquors.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Morgan:

Res. No. 25, A.,

Resolved, That when the assembly adjourn it be until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m., and that thereafter no adjournment take place except from day to day, until Friday, March 26.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

Messrs. Treat, Hall and Polley dissenting.

No. 310, A.,

A bill to provide for the semi-annual payment of taxes, and to amend various sections of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof,

With the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary,

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

So referred.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, March 11, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 4, A.,

An act to provide for the revision of the statutes relating to the incorporation of villages,

No. 5, A.

An act to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages,

No. 8, A.,

An act making the general terms of court in each county in the sixteenth judicial circuit a special term for all the other counties in said circuit,

No. 24, A.,

An act to amend section 1109, chapter 49, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of the collection of taxes,"

No. 59, A.,

An act to amend section 4719, of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

No. 40, A.,

An act to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money therein named,

No. 9, A.,

An act making certain appropriations for the benefit of the Wisconsin home for the feeble minded,

No. 76, A.,

An act authorizing Manufacturers Bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock,

No. 152, A.,

An act to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies,

No. 14, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 203 of the laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics,

No. 112, A.,

An act to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county,"

No. 143, A.,

An act to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls,

No. 118, A.,

An act to amend chapter 20 of the laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of a work-house by any one, two or more counties within the state, in which to confine certain offenders at hard labor, and prescribing and regulating the punishment of certain offenders,

No. 182, A.,

An act to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to amend section 752 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to district attorney,

No. 116, A.,

An act to amend section 19, of chapter 290, of the laws of 1895, relating to duties and powers of superintendent of work-house,

No. 202, A.,

An act to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits into the general fund,

No. 52, A.,

An act to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors.

The following memorials to congress have been deposited with the secretary of state:

1. For certain amendments to the act authorizing the construction of a steel bridge over the St. Louis river between the states of Wisconsin and Minnesota.

2. Requesting consideration and passage of senate bill No. 3058, now pending in congress.

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 45, S.,

Requesting governor to return to the senate, bills No. 66, S. and 67, S.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 45, S.,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

Mr. J. J. Smith offered an amendment to the title of bill No. 176, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

The amended title, as follows:

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 293 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns.

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was then read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Buffington

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

Was recommitted to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs,

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895,

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines in the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 150, S.,

A bill to set aside certain state land to the Wisconsin Military Reservation,

No. 239, S.,

A bill to amend section 942, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to county town village or city bonds issued in aid of railroads

Jt. Res. No. 34, S

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the governor be, and hereby is, authorized to have full control of all office rooms in the capitol, and to assign to each office or department such room or rooms as in his judgment may be required for the transaction of the business of the respective departments, and for the proper care and preservation of the records and property. All resolutions and laws interfering with this resolution are hereby repealed.

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 267, S.,

A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 7 of article 7 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 79; noes, none; absent or not voting, 21.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss,

Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—79.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Buffington, Buttles, Church, Clark, Hogan, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Maertz, Mosher, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Reinholdt, Sether, Thompson, Tucker, Welch, Wipperman and Wolfinger—21.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Corporations, to

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,' "

Was adopted.

Mr. Bullard offered the following amendment to bill No. 23, S., as amended:

In the seventh line of the printed substitute strike out the word twenty and insert in place thereof the word fifteen.

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was then ordered to a third reading.

No. 124, S.,

A bill to permit sureties on bonds to limit their liability,

Was ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 89, A.,

A bill relating to local self-government of cities,

No. 99, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of clerk of circuit court a salaried office,

No. 293, A.,

A bill to appropriate to J. M. Thompson and Lovell & Co. of Waupun, Wis., to each a certain sum of money,

No. 398, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of funds paid to treasurers of cities of the first class for the redemption of outstanding tax certificates,

No. 401, A.,

A bill to provide for cumulative voting for directors of a corporation,

No. 475, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 261, of the laws of 1895, relating to the assessment of taxes,

No. 496, A.,

A bill to prevent fraud in the purchase and sale of cheese,

No. 503, A.,

A bill to amend section 2666 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, providing for verification of pleadings, how and by whom made,

No. 547, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 414, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend section 1751, revised statutes of 1878, relating to corporations,"

No. 555, A.,

A bill to repeal section 331, revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended, relating to the publication of laws in newspapers,

No. 598, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$20,420 to Dr. Montgomery for care, board and treatment of persons pursuant to orders of county courts of various counties, under chapter 203, laws of 1895,

No. 599, A.,

A bill providing for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain amounts due persons for care and treatment of persons under chapter 203, laws of 1895, and payment of same, and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

No. 601, A.,

A bill to detach Chippewa county from the 11th judicial circuit, attach it to the 17th judicial circuit and to detach Clark county from the 17th judicial circuit, attach it to the 16th judicial circuit,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

With substitute, was referred to the committee on Claims.

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof,"

Was laid over until next Monday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

Was laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

The amendments offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 98, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a salaried one,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893 relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquor,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes,

Were adopted,

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws of 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity,

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

Jt. Res. No. 10, S.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin be amended by prefixing thereto the following: "Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel," and by adding to said section the following: "No franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state or by its aid, or of any part thereof;" so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows, viz.:

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Fogo,
The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kemp offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—76.

Absent—Mr. Utt—1.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Buffington, Buttles, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, McGrath, Parker, Pierce, Pratt, Reynolds, Sether, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Wolff and Wolfinger—23.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted,

To Messrs. Sheffer, J. J. Smith, Wolfinger, Wolff, McDonald, Reynolds, McGrath, Parker, Stanley, Buffington, Davidson, Buttles, Connors, Pierce, Jensen, Klabunde, D. F. Jones, Marsh, Dresser and Maertz for this session.

To Mr. Edwards until Wednesday.

The journal of Friday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 921, A.,

Petition of F. W. Richardson and forty-five others, in favor of bill No. 506, A., against license for sale of liquors within one half mile of state university or normal schools.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 922, A.,

Petition of C. M. Blockman and fifty-four others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 923, A.,

Petition of eighty-seven citizens of Poynette, for the passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 924, A.,

Petition from students of Milton college, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 925, A.,

Of A. Eagles and ninety-nine other citizens of Evansville, Rock county, praying for the passage of bill 506, A., relating to prevention of sale of intoxicating liquor within half a mile of the university, state normal schools and colleges.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 926, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by W. A. McCutcheon and others of Arena, county of Iowa.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 927, A.,

For the passage of bill 506, A., signed by A. W. Randall and one hundred citizens and voters, of Brodhead, Green county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Agen:

Pet. No. 928, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by Levi Barkey and ninety-two others of Superior, Douglas county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Legried:

Pet. No. 929, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by A. W. Anderson and fifteen others, of Deerfield, Dane county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 930, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by George J. Kellogg and forty-nine others, of Janesville, Rock county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 931, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by C. C. Hamilton and seventeen others, of Trapp City, Marathon county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 932, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by E. E. Andrus and thirty-three others, of Stoddard Station, Vernon county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 933, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Rev. O. B. Clark and sixty-seven others of Lamartine, Fond du Lac county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 934, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by R. Pengilly and forty-three others, of Bloomington, Grant county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 935, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by S. & D. Miller and others, of Prescott, Pierce Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 936, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by citizens of Sharon, Walworth Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 937, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Mayor Wiegand and sixty others of city of Shawano, Shawano Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 938, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by J. F. Dorland and twenty-three others of Reedsburg, Sauk Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 939, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by F. D. Woodworth and forty-three others, of Pittsville, Wood county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 940, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Mrs. A. E. C. Strong and fifty-two others, women of the city of Baraboo, Sauk county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 941, A.,

For the passage of bill 506, A., signed by John R. Babcock and forty-two others, of Albion, Dane county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 942, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by T. H. Thornton and nine others, of Grand Heights, Marathon county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 943, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by forty citizens of Sharon, Walworth Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 944, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by H. D. Buchanan and forty-nine others, of Rio, Columbia Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 945, A.,

Remonstrance of Fred. Mallon and others, against revision of insurance laws.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 946, A.,

Remonstrance of trustees of the M. E. church of Linden,

against the passage of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 947, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Walworth county. against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 948, A.,

Remonstrance of James Conlon and nineteen, others against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 949, A.,

Remonstrance of B. J. Hughes and thirty-three others, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S., known as the insurance code.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray: (By request.)

Pet. No. 950, A.,

Remonstrance of Paul F. W. Liedtke, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 951, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. C. Sund, against the passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 952, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. L. Leemhius, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 953, A.,

Remonstrance of Chr. Wilke, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 954, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. B. Marr, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 955, A.,

Remonstrance of policy holder in Mutual Church Insurance company, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 956, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 957, A.,

Remonstrance of policy holder, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 958, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church of Sheboygan, against the passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 959, A.,

Remonstrance of policy holders, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 960, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church of La Crosse, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 961, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. Church, of Ironton, against the passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ray:

Pet. No. 962, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. Church, of Clinton, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 963, A.,

Petition of Frederick Martin and five others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Anson:

Pet. No. 964, A.,

Petition of thirty-five citizens of Milwaukee, in favor of Fair-child statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 965, A.,

Petition of Spencer Barfoot and seventy-five others, recalling the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 966, A.,

Remonstrance of Thos. B. Lee and thirty-four others, against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Staples:

Pet. No. 967, A.,

Remonstrance of C. Bolden and fifty others, against the removal of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hughes:

Pet. No. 968, A.,

Petition of Newton Spear and thirty-eight others, in favor of the pure beer bill.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 969, A.,

Petition of L. E. Rosenow and thirty-four others, for the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 970, A.,

Petition of Carl Hublin and others, for the passage of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 971, A.,

Petition of W. O. Roberts and ninety-eight others, in favor of the pure beer bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 972, A.,

Petition of M. A. Cunningham and sixteen others, in favor of the passage of the medical bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 973, A.,

Remonstrance of thirty-six citizens of Iron River, against the passage of bill No. 563, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 974, A.,

Remonstrance of G. A. Urquhart and forty-one others, against the passage of bill No. 69, A., or any bill of a similar nature, intending to legalize the acts of the town board of Iron River.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 975, A.,

Remonstrance of D. S. Clark and forty-seven others, against passage of bill No. 69, A., or any bill of a similar nature intended to legalize the acts of the town board of Iron River.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 976, A.,

Remonstrance of sixteen citizens of Iron River, against passage of bills intended to legalize the acts of the town board of Iron River.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 977, A.,

Remonstrance of sixteen taxpayers of Iron River, against the passage of bill No. 563, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 978, A.,

Petition of Wm. J. Fiebrantz and seventeen others, in favor of licensing of non-resident hunters and the propagation of up-land game.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Borchsenius:

Pet. No. 979, A.,

Remonstrance of forty-three citizens of Iron River, against the passage of bill No. 563, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in assembly at close of session, Friday, March 12, 1897.

Whole number of bills introduced in assembly, 635.

COMMITTEES.	Assem'b'y bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Senate bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Re- ported.	Now in com- mittee.
Judiciary	195	30	133	92
Assessment and Collection of Taxes	65	1	39	27
Agriculture	22	.....	16	6
Cities	53	10	34	29
Corporations	24	2	13	13
Dairy and Food	6	1	4	3
Education	24	8	16	16
Finance, Banks and Insurance	15	5	6	14
Federal Relations	9	1	4	6
Legislative Expenditures	1	2	2	1
Lumber and Mining	10	3	6	7
Manufactures	8	1	.....	9
Military Affairs	5	1	3	3
Public Lands	4	.....	.....	4
Public Health and Sanitation	22	1	5	18
Public Improvements .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Privileges and Elections	18	3	1	20
Railroads	15	.....	5	10
Roads and Bridges	19	2	12	9
State Affairs	51	8	51	8
Town and County Organization	51	4	38	17
Ways and Means	14	.....	6	8
Claims	31	.....	8	23
Charitable and Penal Institutions	21	1	13	9
Fish and Game	6	.....	1	5
Printing	4	.....	2	2
Totals	693	84	418	359
Bills re-referred	58	2	.....	.....
Total number bills	635	82	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

Assembly bills introduced and referred	634	....
Assembly bills re-referred	59	....
Senate bills received and referred	82	....
Senate bills re-referred	2	....
Bills reported	418	....
Bills now in committee	359	....
	777	777

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee	294	....
Indefinitely postponed	178	....
Passed assembly	114	....
Concurred in by senate	43	....
Non-concurred in by senate	3	....
Pending in senate	66	....
Bills pending—not ready for passage	49	....
	635	112

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin,

No. 47, A.,

A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river from Buffalo county in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 125, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

No. 588, A.,

A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

No. 13, A.,

A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wisconsin,

No. 181, A.,

A bill relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 312, A.,

A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

Have examined the foregoing bills and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' " and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885

entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands,

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 3534, chapter 152 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement,"

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176 of chapter 236, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board,

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted as recommended by the committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MARCH 12, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith without approval, bill No. 63, originating in the assembly.

My reason for doing this is that the bill seems to be clearly in contravention of the provision of the constitution, which prohibits the legislature from enacting any special or private law for "incorporating any city, town or village, or to amend the charter thereof."

The act of the legislature of 1893, amending a former law of similar purport, provided, that all cities organized under what is known as the general charter law, should be divided into four classes, the classification being on the basis of population. These classes were distinguished as follows:

"Cities containing a population of 150,000 or over shall constitute the first class. Cities containing a population of 40,000 or over, and under 150,000, shall constitute the second class. Cities containing a population of 10,000 or over, and under 40,000 shall constitute the third class. Cities containing less than 10,000 shall constitute the fourth class."

The legislature of 1895 passed an act adopting the same classification for cities organized under special charters; and the supreme court has in at least one decision recognized these classifications as being made on a proper basis.

The bill herewith returned proposes a sub-classification by giving certain powers to officials in cities "having a population of 100,000 or more," and adds still another sub-classification by providing that the act shall apply to these cities "having a common council composed of two aldermen from each ward."

It does not follow that the legislative enactments of 1893 and 1895, establishing the classifications referred to, prevent the legislature from making further classifications if it choose to do so; yet, if for no other reason than to avoid confusion, sub-classification should not be made, unless such sub-classification bears some relation to the subject matter of the act. If the classifications established can be sub-divided as this bill proposes, so as to reach any particular city, and as a mere convenience in framing a law, there is no reason why still further classification may not be made, and so on, to an unlimited extent, and thus, under the guise of general legislation, special statutes be enacted.

It seems to me that the classification in this case, which is wholly unnecessary for the purpose contemplated by the bill, is plainly open to the charge of special legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office.
MARCH 13, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith without approval, bill No. 117, A., entitled, "An act amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, 'An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee.'"

My reason for returning this bill is that its provisions are in conflict with section 2 of article 7 of the state constitution, which declares that the judicial power of the state, both as to matters of law and equity, shall be vested in a supreme court, circuit courts, courts of probate and in justices of the peace. The legislature may also vest such jurisdiction as shall be deemed necessary in municipal courts, and shall have power to establish inferior courts in the several counties, with limited civil and criminal jurisdiction."

Section 23 of the same article of the constitution provides for court commissioners and declares that the legislature may "provide for the appointment of one or more persons in each organized county and may vest in such persons such judicial powers as shall be prescribed by law, etc."

In view of these provisions of the constitution, it seems clear that the legislature cannot confer upon a mere clerk of a police court judicial power as section 1 of this bill proposes. A clerk of such a court is certainly not an officer authorized under the constitution to exercise judicial functions.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office,
MARCH 13, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 157, originating in the assembly, and entitled, "An act to amend section 9, of chapter 24, of laws of 1895, relating to the municipal court, for the city of Oskosh, and the county of Winnebago."

I return the bill for the reason that there is apparent a conflict between that part of the act which declares specifically what the proposed amendment shall be and that part of it which undertakes to recite the law as it will read when so amended.

Section 1 of this bill provides as follows:

"Section 9. Chapter 24 of the laws of 1895, is hereby amended by striking out the words 'six hundred' where they

occur in the twelfth line of said section 9, and inserting in place thereof the words 'one thousand.'"

If the words 'six hundred' where they occur in the twelfth line of said section be stricken out, and the words 'one thousand' be inserted in lieu thereof, said section 9 would be so amended as to fix the salary of the clerk of said municipal court absolutely at the sum of one thousand dollars. But when the amended section is recited in the bill the words 'six hundred' are not changed to 'one thousand.'

Further along in the proposed amended section 9 is a provision which reads as follows:

"The common council of the city of Oshkosh and the county board of supervisors of Winnebago county may at any time, by a majority vote in each of said bodies, increase the salary of said clerk to an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per annum."

Passing by the failure to change the words "six hundred" in the amended section to "one thousand," which is manifestly a clerical error, there remains still the direct conflict between the expressed purpose of the bill as stated in the first lines and that section conferring authority upon the city council and the county board to fix the salary of the clerk.

It is not within my province to determine which of these provisions it was the purpose of the bill to enact; but to approve the measure in its present form would necessarily lead to confusion and litigation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

On motion of Mr. Hall the executive communications were laid over until tomorrow morning.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

BY W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 44, S.,

For a new joint rule.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 129, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the commissioners of fisheries a sum of money therein named,

No. 183, S.,

A bill to regulate the printing of the reports of the State Board of Health,

No. 191, S.,

A bill relating to notices to lot owners of special assessments for sewer purposes, of cities of the third class incorporated under special charters,

No. 218, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of assistant city attorneys in cities of the first and second class, as defined by section 1 of chapter 312 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, whether such city be incorporated by special act of the legislature or under the general laws of the state,

No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain.

And has concurred in

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine.

And has non-concurred in

No. 286, A.,

A bill relating to eligibility to and holding of office in this state,

And returns to assembly,

No. 66, S.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294,

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee," approved March 1, 1851, as amended by private and local laws of 1853, chapter 257, private and local laws of 1855, chapter 63, and laws of 1876, chapter 209,

And requests a reconsideration of the vote by which they were concurred in by assembly, and that the bill be returned to the senate for further consideration.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 44, S.,

Was laid over.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 129, S., to committee on Fish and Game.

No. 183, S., to committee on Printing.

No. 191, S., to committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

Nos. 218 and 331, S., to committee on Judiciary.

On request from the senate,

The vote was reconsidered by which bills Nos. 66 and 67, S., were concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

As amended,

Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. True,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

Was recalled from the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kamp offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:.

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Edwards, Jones D. F., Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, McGrath, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer and Wolfinger—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. D. F. Jones, Maertz, McDonald, Plummer, Wolfinger and McGrath for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 980, A.,

Petition of W. A. Peterson and twenty-five others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 981, A.,

Petition of T. H. Mosher and thirty others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 982, A.,

Petition from Black Earth, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 983, A.,

Petition of Torger T. Thompson and forty-three others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 984, A.,

For the passage of bill 506, A., signed by the faculty of Lawrence university, of Appleton, Outagamie county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 985, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by J. Q. Black and twelve others, of Lone Rock, Richland county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 986, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by members of First Baptist church of Dodgeville.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 987, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by fifty-five university students of state university at Madison, Dane county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 988, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by J. O. Henderson and eleven others, of Edgerton, Rock county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flagg:

Pet. No. 989, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Rev. J. L. Cole, pastor, and W. H. Pomeroy, secretary, of the Methodist Episcopal church of Edgerton, Rock Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 990, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed G. C. Hobbs, secretary of the M. E. church of Madison, Dane Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 991, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by P. T. White and one hundred and ten others, of Fall River, Columbia county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 992, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by H. Underwood and forty-seven others of Lowell, Dodge Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 993, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by James M. Pile and thirty others, of Lafayette, Lafayette county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 994, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by John Harris and forty-one others of Fayette, Lafayette county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 995, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by C. E. Warner and twenty-five others of Windsor, Dane Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 996, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Manitowoc county, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 997, A.,

Remonstrance of members of Catholic Knights of Wisconsin

and others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 998, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Manitowoc county, against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. No. 999, A.,

Remonstrance of Felix Benfy and 81 others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. No. 1000, A.,

Remonstrance of Chas. Dern and sixty-one others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 1001, A.,

Remonstrance of Robert Vorley and twenty-five others, against passage of insurance bill.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1002, A.

Remonstrance of Wm. Mueller and fifty-one others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1003, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church, of De Pere, Wis., against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1004, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church, of Berlin, Wis., against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1005, A.,

Remonstrance of West Avenue M. E. church of La Crosse, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1006, A.,

Remonstrance of policy holders, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1007, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church, of Viroqua, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1008, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church of Colby, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1009, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church of Spencer, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1010, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church, of Mauston, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1011, A.,

Remonstrance of M. E. church of Eau Claire, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1012, A.,

Remonstrance of A. H. Schwahn and thirty others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1013, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Marathon county, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 1014, A.,

Remonstrance of trustees of the Mutual Church Insurance company, of Fond du Lac, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 1015, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Ashford, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 1016, A.,

Petition of W. F. Bartlett and twenty-eight others, for the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Pierce:

Pet. No. 1017, A.,

Petition of Lorenzo Frazier, W. J. Ogle, T. G. Burnham and forty-three others, in relation to statutes of Pere Marquette and Generals Fairchild and Rusk.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 1018, A.,

Petition of forty-one citizens of Whitewater and vicinity, in favor of recalling the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. No. 1019, A.,

Petition of Joseph Louis and nineteen others, in favor of recalling the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. No. 1020, A.,

Petition of Henry Becker and thirty-six others, in favor of recalling the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 1021, A.,

Remonstrance of residents of Glen Flora, against the division of Chippewa county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrar of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

JESSE A. CLASON,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Proposing to amend section 10 of article 8 of the constitution of Wisconsin,

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 98, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a salaried one,

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

No. 145, A.,

A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in common schools,

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways,

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity,

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws 1895, relating to Nashotah house,

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 470, A.,

A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, pictures, etc., and for the issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquor,

No. 391, A.,

A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891,

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 510, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day,"

No. 387, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions,

No. 494, A.,

A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley Gun Club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section number 7, in township number 7 north, of range number 4 west,

No. 254, A.,

A bill to organize the town of Crivitz, in Marinette county,

No. 83, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

The executive communication returning without approval, bill,

No. 63, A.,

A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

Was taken up.

The question being, shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor?

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 86; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Edwards, Jones D. F., Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, McGrath, Plummer, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Sether, Sheffer, Tucker and Wolfinger—14.

The executive communication returning without approval, bill

No. 157, A.,

A bill relating to and amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to Winnebago county court,

Was taken up.

The question being, shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor?

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 84; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis,

Merrill, Merriman, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—84.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Church, Edwards, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, McGrath, Olson, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer, Tucker, Wolfinger and Mr. Speaker—16

The executive communication returning without approval, bill No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The bill was laid over until next Thursday for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

Was re-committed to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has amended and concurred in as amended

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes, as amended by subdivision 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

And has concurred in

No. 45, A.,

A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 58, A.,

A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers, and amendatory of section 711, of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of county officers,"

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes, relating to liens of mechanics and others,

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurer,

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 54, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 339, S.,

A bill to provide better protection to state fish hatcheries, grounds, fish and equipment.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 309, A.,

Was laid over until tomorrow.

No. 339, S.,

Was read a first and second time and laid over.

Nos. 66 and 67, S.,

Were returned to the senate in compliance with the request of that house.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 44, S.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That a new joint rule be adopted as follows:

If at any regular session of the legislature a recess shall be taken for a period exceeding thirty days, no business shall be received or transacted at the coming in of the legislature after such recess excepting such business as may be specially mentioned in the resolution providing for such recess.

This rule shall not be suspended by either unless both houses by a vote of three-fourths of the members elect of each house concur in such suspension,

Was, on motion of Mr. Peterson,

Laid over until tomorrow.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more,

Mr. Yorkey offered the following amendments:

Amend section 1 by striking out all after the word "cities" where it occurs in the first line to the word "where," where it occurs in the second line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "of the first class."

Amend the title so as to read as follows: No. 65, A. A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities of the first class,

Which were adopted, and

The bill, as amended,

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands,

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 3534 of the revised statutes, relating to foreclosures of mortgages by advertisement,

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board and amendatory of section 932 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176, chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government, as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for 1893,"

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 124, S.,

A bill to permit sureties on bonds to limit their liability,

Were read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Staples,

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

Was laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes,"

Was laid over until next Friday in its regular order.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating moneys therefor,' "

As amended,

Was referred to the committee on Claims.

The amendments, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hogan,

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

Was re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

Mr. Ray moved to reconsider the vote by which bill No. 430, A., was referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, and restore the same to its regular place on the calendar.

The motion was adopted.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Treat:

Pet. No. 1022, A.,

Eighteen petitions for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by nine hundred and seventy-five people of this state.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1023, A.,

Asking for the return of Pere Marquette statue, and favoring the statues of Fairchild and Rusk, signed by A. DeVoe and thirty-three others of Boscobel.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 1024, A.,

For passage of bill 294, A., signed by Wm. Spiegelhoff and forty others of Munster, Kenosha county.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 1025, A.,

For passage of bicycle bill, signed by O. R. Isham and twenty others, of Clinton.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Parker.

Pet. No. 1026, A.,

Protesting against the passage of bill 10, S., known as the

insurance code, signed by Michael Ley and forty-three others of Kewaunee Co.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 1027, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by ninety-seven citizens of Clinton.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 1028, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Good Templars lodge, of Clinton.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Merriman:

Pet. No. 1029, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by the Methodist Episcopal church of Clinton.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1030, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Rev. P. G. Mathes and one hundred and two others, of Montford and Livingston.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Tucker:

Pet. No. 1031, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by First Baptist church of Omro.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wolter:

Pet. No. 1032, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by W. F. Gaecker and others, of Appleton, Outagamie Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hinder:

Pet. No. 1033, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by H. E. Andrews and others, of the village of Lodi, Columbia county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 1034, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by H. W. Griffith and students of Ripon college, of Ripon, Fond du Lac county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 1035, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by faculty of Ripon college.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1036, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 255, A., signed by J. A. Thomas and others, of Montford.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. Nos. 1037, A. and 1038, A.,

Memorial of the common council of the city of Milwaukee, respecting certain legislation affecting the city of Milwaukee.

To committee on Cities and duplicates of same to committees on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, Judiciary and Corporations.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1039, A.,

Petition protesting against passage of bill No. 255, A., signed by Fred. Sheppner and forty-nine others, of Liberty.

To committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Jt. Res. No. 30, A.,

Asking for the recall of assembly bill No. 437, now in the hands of the governor, relating to municipal court for the eastern district of Waukesha county.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Jt. Res. No. 31, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Church be, and he is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to the discharge of filth and sewage in Delavan Lake, in the county of Walworth.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Lewis:

Res. No. 26, A.,

Resolved, That bill No. 442, A., be recalled from the committee on Enrolled Bills to the assembly.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 210, A.,

A bill to authorize cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes and to create park commissioners and prescribe their powers and duties,

No. 343, A.,

A bill concerning repairs of sidewalks, gutters, ditches, etc., in villages,

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to sidewalks,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed,

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

With amendments, and recommend it do pass, when so amended.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 611, A., are as follows:

Amend by striking out after the word "cities," in line 1, the words "having a population of 100,000 or more," and inserting instead thereof the words "of the first class."

Amend section 1 by striking out in lines one, two and three the words "having a population of 100,000 or more" and inserting instead thereof the words "of the first class."

Also amend section 1 by adding thereto the following words: "Provided such extensions be made without expense to said cities and that the rates to be charged for water to consumers beyond the corporate limits of said city, shall be fixed by the common council of such city upon the recommendation of the board of public works thereof."

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10 of article 8, of the constitution of Wisconsin,

No. 98, A.,

A bill to provide for making the office of register of deeds a salaried office.

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets,

No. 145, A.,

A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in the common schools,

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways,

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 470, A.,

A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, newspapers, pictures, magazines or written or printed matter, and for issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws of 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity,

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend and enlarge the charter of the Nashotah House, created by an act of the territorial legislature approved February 4, 1847,"

No. 123, A. (Re-engrossed.)

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

No. 391, A.,

A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal correction of Nos. 23, A., 136, A., and 391, A.,
Were adopted.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred:

No. 590, A.,

A bill to permanently locate the seat of government of this state,

No. 591, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of the public lands of the state of Wisconsin to loan a sum of money not exceeding one million dollars to the county of Milwaukee and city of Milwaukee or either of them,

No. 92, A.,

A bill to foster and encourage the beet sugar industry in the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that action upon all of said bills be indefinitely postponed.

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general,

Have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and with the recommendation that when so amended the bill do pass.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 415, A., are as follows:

Strike out the words and figures "eighteen hundred (1800)" in line 3, section 2, of the printed bill and insert in lieu thereof the words "fifteen hundred."

Strike out the words and figures "fifteen hundred (1500), "twelve hundred (1200)" and "nine hundred (900)" in lines four and five of said section 2 of the printed bill and insert in lieu thereof the words "one thousand," "nine hundred" and "seven hundred and eighty" respectively.

WILLIAM G. WHEELER,

Chairman.

The joint committee on Fish and Game, to whom was referred:
No. 129, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the commissioners of fisheries a sum of money therein named,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

L. B. DRESSER,
Chairman committee on part of assembly.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:
No. 418, A.,

A bill to prohibit certain persons from acting as assessors,
No. 540, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of naphtha, benzine and gasoline, and to regulate the sale thereof,

No. 258, A.,

A bill to provide for the raising of school fund income and the distribution of the same,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:
No. 362, A.,

A bill to compel street railway companies to operate their cars by means of conductors of electricity laid in underground conduits or by a storage battery system,

No. 347, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to street railroads,

No. 346, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 of bill No. 133, A., by striking out the words 'township number thirty-one (31) of range three (3) west,' where they appear after the word "Holway" in the third line.

Amend section 2 by striking out the words "part of the indebtedness" where they appear after the word "the" in the first line of the section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "assets and liabilities;" also by striking out the words "indebtedness that" where they appear after the word "said" in the third line of the section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "assets and liabilities of said towns as."

No. 522, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county, and attach the same to the county of Oneida,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 230, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that action on the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for that purpose,

With the recommendation that the same be referred to the committee on Claims.

No. 141, S.,

A bill prescribing certain duties of town treasurers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 174, S.,

A bill to change the title of corresponding secretary of the state historical society,

No. 365, S.,

A bill to provide for the safe investment of school funds,

No. 16, S.,

A bill to promote physical education,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

No. 539, A., was re-committed to the joint committee on Claims.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:

No. 554, A.,

A bill to authorize Rosanna Scobie, G. E. Madson and A. C. Amundson to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a creek on section 7 in township 6 north, of range 13 east, in Jefferson county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county,

With an amendment as follows, and recommend its passage when so amended:

Amend No. 448, A., by inserting in the 11th line of section 1, of the printed bill after the word "waste" the words "the said Angus McAllister, his associates, heirs or assigns shall provide booms, constructed so as to allow free passage through said dam of any logs, timber or lumber owned or controlled by any other person or corporation free of charge and shall maintain a sufficient head of water for that purpose. The dam so erected shall be subject to all provisions of chapter 146 of the revised statutes of 1878 and acts amendatory thereof, as said chapter and acts amendatory may be applied."

No. 99, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act to authorize parties therein named to construct and maintain a dam or dams across the Chief river, town 41 north, range 7 west, and to collect toll on the same,"

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 19, A.,

A bill to submit to the qualified electors of the state of Wisconsin, an amendment to article 4, section 1 and section 17 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 446, A.,

A bill to amend section 1087 of the annotated statutes relating to the re-assessment of taxes,

No. 458, A.,

A bill to create and establish a municipal court in and for Eau Claire county, Wisconsin,

No. 481, A.,

A bill providing for the filing and recording of notice of lis pendens, writs of attachment, certificates of sale, mechanics' liens and releases and satisfactions of said instruments, and to amend sections 3187, 2737, 2743, 2748, 3000, and 3318, 3327, and chapter 374, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 295, laws of 1893, and to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1893, and sections 761 and 3319,

No. 516, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 166 of the laws of 1889, of change of venue in civil actions,

No. 583, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1339, 1339a, 1339b, 1339c and 1340, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of this state, relating to highways and bridges, and damages sustained thereon,

No. 600, A.,

A bill to legalize and enforce certain claims against Eau Claire and other counties in favor of Dr. Montgomery,

No. 620, A.,

A bill relating to actions against officers created by and acting under an invalid law,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

With amendment, with the recommendation that when so amended the same do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 474, A., is as follows:

In the fourth line of section 1 of the original bill strike out the word "natural."

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

With amendment, with the recommendation that, when so amended, the same do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 519, A., is as follows:

In the eighth line of section 1 of the printed bill strike out the word "second" and insert in place thereof the word "first."

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 9, of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

And return as requested,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of the state,

Without recommendation.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

No. 376, A.,

Was, on motion of Mr. True,

Re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has non-concurred in

No. 261, A.,

A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 29, S.

A bill to provide for a more correct record of births and deaths,

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294, of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,'"

No. 151, S.,

A bill to provide fishways in the dams on and across streams and other waters within the state of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895,

No. 217, S.,

A bill relating to reassessment of invalid special taxes and assessments, and to provide for payment of taxes based on such reassessment,

No. 325, S.,

A bill to protect farmers and others in the enjoyment of certain riparian rights.

And requests the return to the senate of

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court in the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

For further consideration.

And has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 23, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government.

And adheres to its amendment, to

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act relating to the organization of corporations for the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, asylums, or institutions for the care, treatment or relief of insane or feeble-minded persons, and amendatory of chapter 86 of the revised statutes, entitled, 'Of the organization of corporations,' "

And asks for a committee of conference, and appoints as such committee of conference on the part of the senate,

Senators Mills, Thayer and Solliday.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 29, S.,

Was referred to committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

No. 133, S.,

Was referred to committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

No. 217, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 225, S.,

Was referred to committee on Judiciary.

No. 442, A., was ordered to be returned to the senate as requested.

The chair appointed as members on the part of the assembly of a committee of conference to consider the amendment to bill No. 48, A.,

Messrs. Ackermann, Stanley and Connors.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has reconsidered the vote by which

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

Was concurred in.

And has amended, and concurred in the bill as amended.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendments to bill No. 442, A., was concurred in, as follows:

Amend section 11, by inserting after the word "court," where the same occurs in the printed bill the following: "provided, however, that for the first election under this act it shall not be necessary to give more than ten days' notice thereof."

Amend section 13 by striking out all between the word "shall" where it appears in line 30 of the printed bill and the word "he" in line 33 of the printed bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "perform all ministerial acts required of him by and under the direction of the judge of said court."

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,'" and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

Was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Webster moved that bill No. 294, A., be recalled from the committee on Public Health and Sanitation and referred to the committee on Dairy and Food.

Mr. Frink moved to amend by substituting the committee on Judiciary,

Which motion was lost.

The bill was returned and the motion of Mr. Webster to re-commit to the committee on Dairy and Food, adopted.

Mr. Hughes moved that the assembly adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning,

Which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Utt,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1897.

10:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kamp offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Marsh, Sether and Sheffer—3.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet No. 1040, A.,

Petition of Wm. R. Williamson and others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1041, A.,

Petition of S. C. Gurnee and others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1042, A.,

Petition of Prof. E. S. Goff and thirty others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1043, A.,

Petition of E. Fred. Russell and others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1044, A.,

Petition of Eliza Robinson and twenty others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1045, A.,

Petition of R. T. Lees and forty-seven others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hughes:

Pet. No. 1046, A.,

Petition of E. D. Allen and twenty-nine others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 1047, A.,

Petition of E. E. Seager and thirty others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Pet. No. 1048, A.,

Petition of M. E. church of Barron, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 1049, A.,

Petition of A. J. Austin and others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 1050, A.,

Petition of E. Thomas and seventeen others, favoring the licensing of non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 1051, A.,

Petition of George Fisher and forty six others, favoring the licensing of non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 1052, A.,

Petition of Frank Hoffman and twenty-nine others, favoring the licensing of non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Maertz:

Pet. No. 1053, A.,

Petition of Julius Lindstedt and twenty-eight others, favoring the licensing of non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1054, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. F. W. Knapp, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1055, A.,

Remonstrance of August Zimmerman, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1056, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Johnannes Weyranch, against passage of bill No. 10, S.,

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1057, A.,

Remonstrance of Frederick Kosson and thirty-six others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1058, A.,
Remonstrance of Wm. Wusmund and thirty-one others,
against passage of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1059, A.,
Remonstrance of Henry Danielseu and thirty-four others,
against passage of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 1060, A.,
Remonstrance of voters of Pepin county, against passage of
fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 1061, A.,
Remonstrance of O. F. Beardsley and others, against passage
of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Maertz:

Pet. No. 1062, A.,
Remonstrance of John Leiterman and twenty-five others,
against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Pet. No. 1063, A.,
Remonstrance of board of trustees of M. E. church of Horicon,
against the passage of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 1064, A.,
Remonstrance of M. T. Anderson and thirty others, against
passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 1065, A.,
Remonstrance of C. M. Boll and fifty-three others, against
passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1066, A.,
Remonstrance of Wm. Kohlmeyer and forty-eight others,
against passage of bill No. 10, S.
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 1067, A.,

Petition of Herman Kolle and twenty others, of Alma, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 1068, A.,

Remonstrance of Joseph Marks and twenty-two others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Maertz:

Pet. No. 1069, A.,

Remonstrance of Matthew Keechan, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 1070, A.,

Remonstrance of John Johnston and sixty others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 1071, A.,

Remonstrance of Thos. Comerford and thirty others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Cashin:

Pet. No. 1072, A.,

Remonstrance of Chas. Johnson and thirty-seven others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1073, A.,

Remonstrance of Rev. Henry Hafermann, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 1074, A.,

Against removal of the Pere Marquette statue, signed by Rev. Geo. Bruner and fifty-two others, of Darbay, Calumet Co.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Latta:

Pet. No. 1075, A.,

For passage of bill No. 567, A., signed by F. J. Finnane and sixteen others, of Langlade county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Parker:

Pet. No. 1076, A.,

For passage of medical bill, signed by Geo. R. Wilbur and others, of Ahnapee.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Latta:

Pet. No. 1077, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill making no one but attorney at law eligible to the office of probate judge in the county of Langlade.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 1078, A.,

For passage of bill No. 571, A., signed by Henry Buhman and others of Rusk county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 1079, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 593, A., signed by citizens of Beaver Dam.

To committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Res. No. 27, A.,

WHEREAS, There are a number of toll roads in this state, and section 1869 of the revised statutes provides that all persons or companies operating toll roads shall make an annual report to the secretary of state; and,

WHEREAS, The records show that no reports have been made, or any license fees paid into the state treasury since 1888. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to investigate and report to the assembly the reasons, if any, why the

charters of all such toll roads should not be repealed for not complying with the law in reporting and paying license fees.

Was laid over.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 509, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged real estate,

No. 604, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged property,

No. 616, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052, chapter 48 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "How property to be valued," by adding thereto,

No. 250, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and taxation of real estate securities, legal or equitable, as interests in real estate therein described,

With the recommendation that each and all of them be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 47, S.,

Permitting Senator Munson to introduce a bill to legalize the acts of Helge Larson, a justice of the peace for Vernon county.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 47, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment to No. 309, A.,

Was concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 44, S.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That a new joint rule be adopted as follows:

If at any regular session of the legislature a recess shall be taken for a period exceeding thirty days, no business shall be received or transacted at the coming in of the legislature after such recess excepting such business as may be specially mentioned in the resolution providing for such recess.

This rule shall not be suspended by either unless both houses by a vote of three-fourths of the members elect of each house concur in such suspension.

The ayes and noes being demanded, the joint resolution was concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 72; noes, 21; absent or not voting, 7.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—72.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Minch, Olson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Risum, Schellenberg, Sweeting, Wolff and Wolfinger—21.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Feige, Marsh, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K. and Tucker—7.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr Reinholdt,

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10, of article VIII, of the constitution of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin be amended by prefixing thereto the following: "Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel," and by adding to said section the following: "No franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state or by its aid, or any part thereof;" so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows, viz:

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Peterson moved that

No. 130. A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets,

Be re-committed to the committee on Judiciary,

Which motion was lost.

The ayes and noes being demanded, bill No. 130, A., was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 67; noes, 25; absent or not voting, 8.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Euttles, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wiperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Cashin, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Hogan, Hurd, Jensen, Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Risum, Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Wheeler, Wolfinger and Woller—25.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Church, Clark, Connors, Goodell, Hughes, Marsh, Sether and Sheffer—8.

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 89; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 8.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—89.

Noes—Messrs. Peterson, Plummer and Tucker—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Goodell, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, Polacheck, Sether, Sheffer and Smith D. K.—8.

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 98, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a salaried one,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Pursuant to motion of Mr. Hall adopted March 11th,
The assembly at 11 o'clock a. m. resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On bill

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

Mr. Tucker in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Arose and through its chairman reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker: The committee of the whole having had under consideration bill No. 235, A., have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and with the recommendation that the bill, as amended, be ordered engrossed and read a third time.

BILLS REPORTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
CONSIDERED.

The amendments reported by the committee of the whole to bill No. 235, A., as follows:

Amend section 2 of the substitute bill by striking out the words "therein contained" and inserting instead thereof the words "required to be kept therein."

Amend section 6 by inserting after the word "surgeon" in the fifth line of the printed substitute bill the words "or specialist in medicine or surgery" so that that part of said section shall read as follows: "Or who not having the license aforesaid shall advertise or hold himself out to the public as a physician or surgeon or specialist in medicine or surgery in this state, or shall use the title of doctor," etc.

Amend section 7 by striking out the last paragraph thereof, to-wit: "All fines and penalties collected under the provisions of this act shall inure to the educational fund of the state,"

Were adopted.

The amendment in the form of a substitute, as so amended,
Was adopted, and

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 581, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, relating to publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings, in cities of the second and third classes, whether incorporated under a general or under a special charter,

No. 603, A.,

A bill repealing chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to official papers and publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings in cities of the second and third class, whether incorporated under the general or under a special charter, and repealing section 46 of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, in so far as that section relates to or affects any city having over 10,000 inhabitants," and reviving and re-enacting said section 46,

No. 612, A.,

A bill for printing notices, council proceedings, ordinances and others matter of cities of the second and third classes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendations that they be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 68, A.,

A bill to regulate the delivery of prepaid telegrams and express packages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery association, of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, to sell and convey real estate.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 191, S.,

A bill relating to notices to lot owners of special assessments for sewer purposes, of cities of the third class incorporated under special charters,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 303, A.,

A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to exemption from taxation,

No. 427, A.,

A bill relating to the assessments of personal property, and amendatory of section 1040 of the revised statutes,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and use of money therein,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments and when so amended, with recommendation that it do pass.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendment to No. 553, A.,

Amend by striking out all of section one and by inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. Any convention called to elect delegates to any city, county, assembly districts, senatorial districts, congressional districts, state or political convention may elect such number of delegates as the convention so called may be entitled to choose. Such convention shall also elect an alternate for each delegate chosen.

No delegate so elected shall give or grant a proxy to any person nor shall any person receive a proxy from any such delegate, but in the absence of any delegate chosen to any convention herein before mentioned the alternate chosen for such absent delegate shall have and exercise all the powers and privileges to which such absent delegate might be entitled if present. The delegates and alternates present in any convention shall be entitled to cast the full vote of the delegation of which they are members.

Also amend section two by striking out the word "or" where it occurs after the word "convention" and before the words "no candidates" in the third line of said section of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the word "and."

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 17, S.,

A bill to amend section 29, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes."

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 116, S.,

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

With the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

No. 175, A.,

A bill to amend section 782 of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings,

No. 334, A.,

A bill to amend section 796 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to annual town meetings,

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 64, chapter 288, laws of 1893, relating to general elections,

No. 595, A.,

A bill to provide for the election of town officers, in counties having a population of 200,000 or over,

With the recommendation that further action thereon be indefinitely postponed.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 541, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Pelican in Oneida county, and to create the town of Pennington,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Fish and Game, to whom was referred:

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu, in the county of Fond du Lac,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

L. B. DRESSER,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 124, A.,

A bill authorizing the purchase of Ira A. Ridgway's painting of old Fort Winnebago,

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls,

With an amendment, and recommendation that when so amended that it do pass.

Senator Baxter, Assemblymen Ray and Thompson dissenting.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 126, A., is as follows:

Amend bill No. 126, A.,

Amend by striking out in section one the words "exclusive of all speed purses in excess of two thousand dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "And that in computing the amount on which such percentage is to be paid as aforesaid, there shall not be included more than one thousand dollars in premiums, prizes for trials or exhibitions of speed of all classes in any one year, provided, that no other agricultural society organized in Chippewa county under the laws of the state authorizing the organization of county agricultural societies, shall receive any money from the state such as other agricultural societies receive."

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 62, S.,

A bill amending section 3840 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 171 of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 91, S.,

A bill to amend section 4, chapter 6, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county,

No. 159, S.,

A bill to abolish the fees of and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county,

No. 117, S.,

A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 137, S.,

A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty and forfeiture for a violation of its provisions,

With the recommendation that the same be not concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

A joint resolution to amend sub-division 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 216, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 68 of laws of 1893, regarding referees,

No. 244, A.,

A bill to amend section 2247, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Record of mortgage, how discharged."

No. 249, A.,

A bill to abolish the fees and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county,

No. 495, A.,

A bill relating to filing complaints in actions affecting the title to real property, and amendatory of section 3187 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 426 of the general laws of 1895,

No. 610, A.,

A bill to detach certain lands from the village of South Milwaukee and attach the same to the town of Oak Creek in Milwaukee county,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

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The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed:

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes,

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways,

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

Nos. 462, A., and 432, A., were referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 442, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

Have examined the same and find the same correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. J. J. Smith:

Res. No. 28, A.,

Resolved, That his excellency, the governor, be and he hereby is requested to return to the assembly No. 307, A., a bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Hay[^]river in Barron county,

Was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 30, A.,

Asking for the recall of bill No. 437, A., relating to municipal court for the eastern district of Waukesha county, now in the hands of the governor, and its return to the senate, and

Jt. Res. No. 31, A.,

Granting leave to Leonard C. Church to introduce a bill.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 61, S.,

A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to the punishment of sodomy,

No. 71, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments upon the property of corporations,

No. 166, S.,

A bill to regulate the sale of vaccine virus, therapeutical serum, modified toxine, and similar products intended to be used in the prevention and treatment of contagious diseases,

No. 180, S.,

A bill to apportion certain money,

No. 228, S.,

A bill relating to the organization of societies auxiliary to the state historical society, and amendatory of chapter 24 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 261, S.,

A bill relating to school boards and common and high schools in cities of the first class containing a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more,

No. 289, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 196, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 3962, of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians for minors,"

No. 309, S.,

A bill to provide for the control and suppression of contagious and infectious diseases,

No. 350, S.,

A bill to regulate the transportetion and burial of bodies of persons dead of contagious disease,

No. 354, S.,

A bill authorizing the common councils or board of aldermen in cities of the first or second class to suspend or discontinue the publication of their proceedings.

No. 358, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of H. N. Cronkrite, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Rock, elected by the voters of the village of Clinton, Rock county, Wisconsin,

No. 360, S.,

A bill relating to cemeteries,

No. 363, S.,

A bill in relation to corporations, and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 48, S.,

Requesting the governor to return No. 292, S., a bill to provide for the collection of dairy statistics, to the assembly.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 48, S.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time, and referred as follows:

Nos. 61, S., 289, S., and 358, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

No. 71, S.,

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

Nos. 166, S., 309, S., and 350, S.,

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Nos. 180, S., and 360, S.,
To committee on State Affairs.

Nos. 228, S., and 261, S.,
To committee on Education.

No. 354, S.,
To committee on Cities.

No. 363, S.,
To committee on Corporations.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

Was laid over until next Friday in its regular order.

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways,

No. 391, A.,

A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891,

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893 relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquor,

No. 470, A.,

A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, pictures, etc., and for the issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity,

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326, of the laws 1895, relating to Nashotah house,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 145, A.,

A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in common schools,

Mr. Tucker offered an amendment fixing the minimum age of teachers at seventeen years instead of eighteen years.

Mr. Lewis offered an amendment to the amendment, substituting the word "sixteen" for "seventeen."

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The proposed amendments were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

No. 145, A.,

Was taken from the table.

The pending amendments,

Were not adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 16, S.,

A bill to promote physical education,

No. 99, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act to authorize parties therein named to construct and maintain a dam or dams across the Chief river, town 41 north, range 7 west, and to collect toll on the same,"

No. 129, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the commissioners of fisheries a sum of money therein named,

No. 141, S.,

A bill to amend section 540, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, prescribing certain duties of town treasurers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 151, S.,

A bill to provide fishways in the dams on and across streams and other waters within the state of Wisconsin, and amendatory of chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin for 1895.

No. 174, S.,

A bill to change the title of the corresponding secretary of the state historical society,

No. 339, S.,

A bill to provide better protection to state fish hatcheries, grounds, fish and equipment,

No. 365, S.,

A bill to provide for the safe investment of school funds,

Were severally ordered to a third reading,

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

No. 230, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard,

Was re-committed to committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. White,

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation,

Was re-referred to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Mosher,

No. 258, A.,

A bill to provide for the raising of school fund income and the distribution of the same,

Was laid over until next Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

Were adopted.

The following amendment to No. 404, A., was offered by Mr. Buttles:

Amend section seven by striking out the word "five" in line seven and insert in lieu thereof the word "three," so that when

said section is amended it will read as follows, commencing after the word asylum in line six: "And each of the examining physicians shall receive a fee of three dollars for his examination and certificate, and ten cents per mile for necessary travel."

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Lumber and Mining, to

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrar of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 19, A.,

A bill to submit to the qualified electors of the state of Wisconsin, an amendment to article 4, section 1 and section 17 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 92, A.,

A bill to foster and encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin,

No. 210, A.,

A bill to authorize cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes and to create park commissioners and prescribe their powers and duties,

No. 246, A.,

A bill to promote physical education,

No. 255, A.,

A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 343, A.,

A bill concerning repairs of sidewalks, gutters, ditches, etc., in villages,

No. 346, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state,

No. 347, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to street railways,

No. 362, A.,

A bill to compel street railway companies to operate their cars by means of conductors of electricity laid in underground conduits or by a storage battery system,

No. 385, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to sidewalks,

No. 418, A.,

A bill to prohibit certain persons from acting as assessors,

No. 446, A.,

A bill to amend section 1087 of the annotated statutes relating to the re-assessment of taxes,

No. 458, A.,

A bill to create and establish a municipal court in and for Eau Claire county, Wisconsin,

No. 481, A.,

A bill providing for the filing and recording of notice of lis pendens, writs of attachment, certificates of sale, mechanics' liens and releases and satisfactions of said instruments, and to amend sections 3187, 2737, 2743, 2748, 3060, and 3318, 3327, and chapter 374, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 295, laws

of 1893, and to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1893, and sections 761 and 3319,

No. 516, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 166 of the laws of 1889, of change of venue in civil actions,

No. 522, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the county of Oneida,

No. 540, A.,

A bill providing for inspection of benzine and gasoline,

No. 554, A.,

A bill to authorize Rosanna Scobie, G. E. Madson and A. C. Amundson to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a creek on section 7, in township 6, north of range 13 east, in Jefferson county,

No. 583, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1339, 1339a, 1339b, 1339c and 1340, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of this state, relating to highways and bridges, and damages sustained thereon,

No. 590, A.,

A bill to permanently locate the seat of government of this state,

No. 591, A.,

A bill to authorize the commissioners of the public lands of the state of Wisconsin to loan a sum of money not to exceed one million dollars, to the county of Milwaukee and city of Milwaukee, or either of them,

No. 600, A.,

A bill to legalize and enforce certain claims against Eau Claire and other counties in favor of Dr. Montgomery,

No. 620, A.,

A bill relating to actions against officers created by and acting under an invalid law,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kamp offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—95.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bechtel, Marsh, Plummer, Sether and Sheffer—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Bechtel and Plummer for this session.

To Mr. Lange, after this session, until next Monday.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Minch: (By request.)

Pet. No. 1080, A.,

Petition of women's praying band of the Sixth ward of Madison, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Flett:

Pet. No. 1081, A.,

Petition of L. M. Perry and others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Minch: (By request.)

Pet. No. 1082, A.,

Petition of eighty members of the Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church of Madison, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 1083, A.,

Petition of the women's praying band of the fourth ward of Madison in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McGrath:

Pet. No. 1084, A.,

Petition of J. L. Hewitt and seventeen others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Cashin:

Pet. No. 1085, A.,

Petition of the president and faculty of the state normal school at Stevens Point, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bullard:

Pet. No. 1086, A.,

Remonstrance of J. C. Underwood and twenty-four others, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 1087, A.,

Petition of W. N. Marks and thirty-four others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 1088, A.,

Petition of R. C. Bliss and fourteen others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Minch: (By request.)

Pet. No. 1089, A.,

Petition of W. J. McKay and twenty-eight others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Edwards:

Pet. No. 1090, A.,

Petition of John Loebs and others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 1091, A.,

Petition of Rev. Wm. Moyle and seventeen others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1092, A.,

Petition for passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by G. Fox and twenty-four others, of Big Patch, Grant county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 1093, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Rev. W. M. Philpott and twenty others of Cadott, Chippewa county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 1094, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by R. H. Churchill and fifty-one others, of Marinette, Marinette county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 1095, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by H. W. Pape and five others, of Marinette, Marinette county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Rutherford:

Pet. No. 1096, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by O. P. Dow and sixteen others, of Palmyra, Jefferson Co.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 1097, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., John D. Lohins and nineteen others of Chippewa county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 1098, A.

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., signed by voters of Chippewa Co.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Utt:

Pet. No. 1099, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., signed by John Alt and fourteen others, of Grant Co.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Parker:

Pet. No. 1100, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., signed by Jos. Seidl and twenty-four others of Kewaunee county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hurd:

Pet. No. 1101, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by Dr. J. C. Elson and others of Madison, Dane county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 1102, A.,

For passage of bill taxing non-resident hunters and sportsmen, signed by citizens of Manitowoc county.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 1103, A.,

For passage of bill No. 605, A., signed by J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co. and one hundred and ten others of Racine.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 1104, A.,

For passage of substitute bill 289, signed by W. H. Halsey and three hundred and fifty others, of Milwaukee.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Polley:

Pet. No. 1105, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., signed by R. A. Weiser and twenty-five others of Augusta.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

BILLS INTRODUCED,

Read first and second times and referred:

By Mr. Church:

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 12, A.,

A bill to regulate building and loan associations,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 35, S.,

A bill to repeal section 7, chapter 291, laws of 1895, "relating to fees required to be paid to the state treasurer for the examination of banks,"

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed:

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases,

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof."

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 58, A.,

A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers, and amendatory of section 711, of chapter 37, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of county officers,"

No. 45, A.,

— A bill relating to improvements of highways and amendatory of chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, No. 575, A.,

A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 521, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 54, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

No. 156, A.,

A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MARCH 18, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, in pursuance of joint resolution No. 30, A., bill No. 437, A., for further consideration.

I return also in response to the request of your honorable body, bill No. 307, A.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

Pursuant to

Jt. Res. No. 48, S.,

The governor returned to the assembly for further consideration bill No. 292, S.

On motion of Mr. D. K. Smith,

Nos. 307, A., and 437, A.,

Were transmitted to the senate with the request that the vote by which they were concurred in be reconsidered, for the purpose of perfecting said bills.

On motion of Mr. True,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 292, S., was concurred in, and

The bill was transmitted to the senate.

No. 117, A.,

A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

The question being upon the passage of the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the governor,

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative, and the veto of the governor was sustained.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 91; absent or not voting, 9,

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttle, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—91.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Dresser, Frink, Jones W. A., Latta, Marsh, Niss, Sether and Sheffer—9.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

No. 137, S.,

A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty and forfeiture for a violation of its provisions,

Was re-committed to committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

No. 116, S.,

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Was re-committed to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 397, A.,

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218 of the laws of 1882, chapter 510 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 81 of the laws of 1895, relative to peddlers,

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines of the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland, in the state of Wisconsin.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 27, A.,

Providing for a committee of three to investigate the operation of toll roads,

Was adopted.

The speaker appointed as such committee,

Messrs. Hoyt, Overbeck and Wylie.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 16, S.,

A bill to promote physical education,

No. 99, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act to authorize parties therein named to construct and maintain a dam or dams across the Chief river, town 41 north, range 7 west, and to collect toll on the same,"

No. 141, S.,

A bill to amend section 540, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, prescribing certain duties of town treasurers in towns having the township system of school government,

No. 151, S.,

A bill to provide fishways in the dams on and across the streams and other waters within the state of Wisconsin and amendatory of chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895,

No. 174, S.,

A bill to change the title of the corresponding secretary of the state historical society,

No. 339, S.,

A bill to provide better protection to state fish hatcheries, grounds, fish and equipment,

No. 365, S.,

A bill to provide for the safe investment of school funds,
Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 129, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the commissioners of fisheries a sum of money therein named,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 67; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Edwards, Feige, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Meriman, McDonald, Minch, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, White, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Flagg, Gawin, Hindes, Krauss, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Parker, Pratt, Risum, Sieker, Utt, Wipperman, and Wolff—15.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Church, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Flett, Frink, Jensen, Jones W. A., Marsh, Niss, Olson, Plummer, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sheffer, Taylor and Wheeler—18.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 17, S.,

A bill to amend section 29, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 62, S.,

A bill amending section 3840 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 171 of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 91, S.,

A bill to amend section 4, chapter 6, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878 relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county,

No. 117, S.,

A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice,

No. 159, S.,

A bill to abolish the fees of and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The vote was reconsidered by which

No. 191, S.,

A bill relating to notices to lot owners of special assessments for sewer purposes, of cities of the third class incorporated under special charters,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 191, S.,

Was laid upon the table.

Mr. D. F. Jones moved that bill No. 55, A., be made a special order of business for next Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was lost.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

To amend subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended by striking out the words "declared their intention to," so that said subdivision, when so amended, shall read as follows:

Subdivision 2. "Persons of foreign birth who shall have become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization."

Bill No. 55, A.,

In relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes,

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the Hamilton Cemetery association, of La Crosse county, to sell and convey real estate,

Were severally engrossed and read a third time.

No. 68, A.,

A bill to regulate the delivery of prepaid telegrams and express packages,

No. 124, A.,

A bill authorizing the purchase of Ira A. Ridgway's painting of Old Fort Winnebago,

No. 175, A.,

A bill to amend section 782 of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings,

No. 216, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 68 of laws of 1893, regarding referees,

No. 244, A.,

A bill to amend section 2247, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Record of mortgage, how discharged,"

No. 249, A.,

A bill to abolish the fees and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county,

No. 250, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and taxation of real estate securities, legal or equitable, as interests in real estate therein described,

No. 285, A.,

A bill to amend section 64, chapter 288, laws of 1893, relating to general elections,

No. 334, A.,

A bill to amend section 796 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to annual town meetings,

No. 427, A.,

A bill relating to the assessments of personal property, and amendatory of section 1040 of the revised statutes,

No. 495, A.,

A bill relating to filing complaints in actions affecting the title to real property, and amendatory of section 3187 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 426 of the general laws of 1895,

No. 541, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Pelican in Oneida county, and to create the town of Pennington,

No. 581, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 176 of the laws of 1895,

relating to publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings, in cities of the second and third classes, whether incorporated under a special charter,

No. 595, A.,

A bill to provide for the election of town officers, in counties having a population of 200,000 or over,

No. 603, A.,

A bill repealing chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to official papers and publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings in cities of the second and third class, whether incorporated under the general or under a special charter, and repealing section 46 of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, in so far as that section relates to or affects any city having over 10,000 inhabitants," and reviving and re-enacting said section 46,

No. 604, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged property,

No. 610, A.,

A bill to detach certain lands from the village of South Milwaukee, and attach the same to the town of Oak Creek, in Milwaukee county,

No. 612, A.,

A bill for printing notices, council proceedings, ordinances and other matter of cities of the second and third classes,

No. 616, A.,

A bill to amend section 1052, chapter 48, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "How property to be valued," by adding thereto,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims to the amendment in form of substitute offered by the committee on Agriculture, and the amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Agriculture, to

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed, and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The question being upon the indefinite postponement of

No. 303, A.,

A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to exemption from taxation,

On a division of the house,

The assembly refused to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Hurlbut moved that the bill be ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Buffington moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which being seconded,

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names,

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bechtel, Marsh, Plummer, Sether and Sheffer—5.

Absent without leave—Messrs. Niss and Utt—2.

The sergeant-at-arms was ordered to proceed to find and bring in the absentees.

Mr. Pierce moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 13; noes, 80; absent or not voting, 7.

Absent with leave, 4; absent without leave, 3.

Ayes—Messrs. Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Latta, Legried, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, Pierce, Risum, Smith D. K., Smith J. J. and Wylie—13.

Noes—Messrs. Ackerman, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Lewis, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker,

Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Marsh, Niss, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer and Utt—7.

Mr. Fogo moved that the assembly adjourn.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Latta and Smith D. K.—4.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—88.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Hindes, McGrath, Niss, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer and Utt—8.

Mr. Stone moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes — Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Church, Eaton, Flett, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Latta, Legried, Merrill, Niss, Pierce, Reynolds, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, Welch, Wipperman and Wylie—25.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Stanley, Sweeting, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—69.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Marsh, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer and Utt—6.

The sergeant at arms having reported the members who were absent without leave to be now present, business was resumed.

Mr. McDonald moved that bill No. 303, A., be made a special order of business for next Tuesday at 11 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was lost.

The question being, shall bill No. 303, A., be ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 37; noes, 58; absent or not voting, 5.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Church, Clack, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Goodell, Hindes, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Olson, Pierce, Polacheck, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sieker, Smith J. J., True, Tucker, White, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—37.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bulard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff and Wolfinger—58.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Marsh, Plummer, Sether and Sheffer—5.

On motion of Mr. Cashin,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Ray,
No. 191, A., was taken from the table and ordered to a third reading.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Fogo:

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the governor be requested to return to the assembly for further consideration,

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 354, S.,

A bill authorizing the common councils or board of aldermen in cities of first or second classes to suspend or discontinue the publication of their proceedings,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 264, S.,

A bill relating to evidence of ordinances, by-laws, resolutions, and regulations of cities and villages, and amendatory of section 4137, of the revised statutes,

With amendment, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 of bill No. 264, S., by striking out the word "presumptive" in line 28 after the word "be" and inserting the word "conclusive" instead thereof.

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 119, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of any city in this state having a population of 100,000 or more, to cause railway companies to erect retaining walls in certain cases,

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse,

No. 304, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 236, of the session laws of 1895, relating to the election of constables in cities,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7 of chapter 194, laws of 1879,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend No. 447, A., by striking out all after the word "notice," in the eighth line of the printed bill, to and including the word "prepaid," in the tenth line, and inserting the words "The service of such notice shall be made by properly enclosed

ing the same in a post paid wrapper and addressing the same to such owner or actual occupant at his proper post office address without any direction to the postal officer upon the wrapper for the return thereof in case of non-delivery to the person addressed, and must be deposited in the post office and left there to be carried."

No. 295, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments in cities and villages operating under the general charter law of this state, or under a special charter,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 71, S ,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments upon the property of corporations,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on official bonds,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and with the recommendation that they do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments to No. 282, A., are as follows:

Amend the tenth line of section one of the printed bill by striking out the word "said" and insert the word "each" and after the second word "repairs" insert the words "of each bridge" and strike out the word "half" in the same line and insert the word "fourth," so said line when so amended shall read as follows:

"Construction or repairs and that the cost of each bridge or repairing of each bridge exceeds one-fourth of."

In the 15th line strike out the word "such" where it first appears and insert the word "each," and in the 18th line after the word "petition" insert the words "or petitions."

The proposed amendment to No. 561, A., is as follows:

Amend section two of the printed bill by striking out the word "two" where it occurs in the fourth line thereof, and insert the word "one."

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect and maintain a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain two dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

With amendments, and with the recommendation the adoption of the amendments, and the passage of the bill when so amended.

The proposed amendments to No. 217, A., are as follows:

Amend No. 217, A., by adding a new section after section 2, as follows: "Section 3. The dam shall be subject to all provisions of chapter 146 of the revised statutes of 1878, and the acts amendatory thereof, so far as said chapter and acts amendatory may be applied; provided, however, that the said William Fellows, his associates and assigns for the purpose of ascertaining the compensation to be made for overflowing or otherwise injuring the lands of others may within six months from and after the passage and publication of this act proceed according to the provisions of chapter 318, of the laws of 1882. and acts amendatory thereof,

Amend by renumbering sections 3, 4 and 5, to read 4, 5 and 6, respectively.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims to whom was referred:

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a certain sum money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 629, A.,

A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 180, S.,

A bill to apportion certain money,

No. 360, S.,

A bill relating to cemeteries,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be concurred in.

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture, With amendment, with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments to No. 378, A., are as follows:

Amend by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 2. The state board shall hold its first annual meeting on the first day of January, 1897, and thereafter such annual meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday of March of each year. At each such annual meeting the state board shall elect one of its members as president and one as vice-president of said board, who shall perform such duties as usually pertain to such offices.

Amend by striking out all of section 6.

Amend section 7 by inserting after the word "agriculture," where it occurs in the second line of said section, in the printed bill, the word "and."

Also amend section 8 by adding thereto the following: provided further the state of Wisconsin shall not in any manner whatever be liable for any debt, contract or obligation incurred by said board.

Also amend section 10 by inserting after the word "all" where it first occurs in said section, the word "annual" and also by striking out the words "and paid" where they first occur in said section. Also amend by inserting a new section as follows:

Section 10. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

Amend sections numbered 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the printed bill by re-numbering them respectively 6, 7, 8 and 9.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. True,

No. 378, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 116, S.,

A bill to amend section 20, of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893,

entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 477, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections,

No. 428, A.,

A bill to regulate the election of town supervisors in counties having a population of less than one hundred thousand.

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred: •

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to practice of pharmacy,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 478, A.,

A bill to protect the eyes of infants against blindness,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE A. CLASON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 131, A.

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment to No. 131, A., is as follows:

Insert after the word "empowered," in section 1, line 1, of the printed bill, the following: "By and with the consent of the governor."

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass without the amendment proposed by Mr. Rosenkrans.

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor,

Report the same back, recommending passage with the amendments recommended by the Judiciary committee in its former report, and without the amendments proposed by Mr. Lange.

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Proposing to amend section 10 of article 8 of the constitution of Wisconsin,

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

With amendments, with the recommendation that when so amended, the same do pass.

The proposed amendments to Joint Resolution No. 10, A., are as follows:

By striking out the words "no franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state, or by its aid, or of any part thereof," where they occur in lines 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15. in the engrossed resolution, after the title; also strike out the same words where they occur in section 10 of the engrossed resolution, at the end thereof.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 373, A., are as follows:

By striking therefrom, where the same occur in the seventh, eighth, ninth, thirty-first, thirty-second and thirty-third lines of section 1, of the printed bill, the following words:

"A brief description of the injuries, the manner in which they were received and the grounds upon which claim is made, and that satisfaction thereof is claimed of such person or corporation," and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"A description of the injuries sustained, a statement of the manner in which they were received, including the particular wrong or negligence from which it is claimed the injury occurred, and the grounds upon which the claim is made, and that satisfaction thereof is demanded of such person or corporation."

Amend further by inserting as an additional section to stand as section 2, the following:

Section 2. Section 4231 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

Provided, however, that no corporation which owns within this state a manufacturing plant, and which shall have filed

with the secretary of state, duly executed by its president and secretary, and attested by its corporate seal, an instrument appointing a resident of this state its attorney for it and on its behalf, to accept service of process in all actions commenced against it upon causes of action arising in this state, shall be deemed a person out of this state within the meaning of this section.

Also amend further by renumbering section 2 of the printed bill, so as to make the same section 3.

No. 64, A.,

A bill providing for allegation in complaints, indictments or informations for larceny, and the evidence thereof.

No. 86, A.,

A bill allowing persons to cross private lands in order to fish in public streams of the state,

No. 109, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 125 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments,

No. 198, A.,

A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties in circuits in which they do not usually preside,

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to actions to recover damages on account of death or personal injuries,

No. 587, A.,

A bill to amend section 4701, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to practice in criminal cases,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend paragraph four of section 163 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relative to the duties of the attorney general,

With amendments, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendments to No. 27, S., are as follows:

By inserting after the word "control" in the third line and also in the tenth line of section 1 of the engrossed bill the following:

"And to examine all applications for loans from any of the trust funds and furnish to the land commissioners his opinion in writing as to the validity of each of such loans and also of the validity of any bonds or other securities purchased for the benefit of the trust funds."

No. 19, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend section 3982 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to guardians and wards,
With the recommendation that they be concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed,

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, balls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrar of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates,

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county, Wis.,

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

To amend subdivision 2 of section 1, of article 3, of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Hamilton cemetery association, of La Crosse county, Wis., to sell and convey real estate,

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 9, of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The above bills were referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the lists of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with verbal corrections.

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named, situated in the county of Waupaca, known as the "chain of lakes," navigable lakes and public highways,

With amendments to title, and verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

Verbal amendments and amendment to the title of No. 432, A., were adopted.

No. 462, A., was re-referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 72, A.,

A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880 relating to bonds of county treasurers,

No. 132, A.,

A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlements with town treasurers,

No. 127, A.,

A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes, relating to liens of mechanics and others,

No. 269, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin,

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2218, 2219, and 2220 of the revised statutes as amended by subdivision 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

No. 263, A.,

A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218 of the

laws of 1882, chapter 510 of the laws of 1889 and chapter 81 of the laws of 1895, relating to peddlers,

No. 482, A.,

A bill to change the boundary lines of the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion in the county of Richland in the state of Wisconsin,

☐ Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 20, S.,

Requiring commissioner of insurance to report and account for fees and perquisites paid to or received by him.

And has reconsidered the vote by which

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin,

Was concurred in, and returns the bill to the assembly as requested.

And has reconsidered the vote by which

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

Was concurred in.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha"

And has concurred in

No. 21, A.,

A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state, and to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes,

No. 22, A.,

A bill to regulate the summoning of petit and grand jurors, to amend sections 2526, 2527, 2535, of the revised statutes, and acts amendatory thereof, and to repeal section 2536 of the revised statutes, relative to the drawing of jurors,

No. 43, A.,

A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall Company, located at Big Bend, Wisconsin,

No. 327, A.,

A bill to amend section 2840 of the revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law.

And has concurred in

No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils or petroleum and petroleum products for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 288 of the laws of 1881, and chapter 158 of the laws of 1883 and chapter 440 of the laws of 1889,

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 143 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Prairie du Chien Bridge Company," approved March 10, 1855,

No. 223, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33, of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

No. 229, S.,

A bill relating to the printing of the proceedings of the state conference of charities and corrections, and to amend section 5, chapter 526; laws of 1889,

No. 290, S.,

A bill to prevent trusts, monopolies and illegal combinations,

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

No. 311, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 226 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to enable cities to cause streets to be sprinkled at the expense of abutting owners."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 20, S.,
Was laid over.

Senate bills were read a first and second times, and referred as follows:

No. 208, S.,
To committee on Corporations.
No. 223, S.,
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.
No. 290, S.,
To committee on Judiciary.
No. 297, S.,
To committee on State Affairs.
No. 311, S.,
To committee on Cities.
The senate amendment, to
No. 437, A ,
Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 1897.

10:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Kamp offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Ol-son, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wip-perman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Feige, Lange, Marsh, Pierce, Plummer, Sether and Sheffer—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Feige and Marsh for this session.

To Mr. Pierce for the balance of this week.

To Messrs. Fogo, Cashin, Wipperman and Frink after this session until next Tuesday.

To Mr. Plummer indefinitely.

The journal of Thursday, as corrected, was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. W. A. Jones presented the financial report of the athletic association of the university of Wisconsin, in accordance with Jt. Res. No. 18, A., with the following communication:

To the Honorable, the Members of the Legislature of Wisconsin:

The University of Wisconsin Athletic Association herewith submits a financial report for the year ending December 31st, 1896, in compliance with the requirement of joint resolution No. 18, A. Your attention is invited to the fact that this association which is in no way connected with or financially assisted by the board of regents of the university, engages and pays all coaches and trainers for the foot ball, base ball, crew, and track departments, and also pay all other expenses incurred in supporting these departments of athletic sports.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

The report was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Overbeck moved that bill No. 136, A., be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Stanley moved that after the evening session to-day the assembly adjourn until next Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

The motion was carried.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Fogo:

Pet. No. 1106, A.,

Remonstrance of one hundred and four citizens of Richland and Sauk counties, against removal of Marquette statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 1107, A.,

Petition from Black Creek, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1108, A.,

Petition of M. C. Hadley and thirteen others, in favor of the Fairchild statue.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 1109, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Calumet county, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. White:

Pet. No. 1110, A.,

Remonstrance of the citizens of the second assembly district of Douglas county, against passes.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Stanley:

Pet. No. 1111, A.,

Petition of R. E. Chinn and one hundred and twenty-six others, for the passage of a bill taxing non-resident hunters.

To committee on Fish and Game.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred:

No. 237, A.,

A bill to encourage the maintenance of permanent land marks and make public records thereof,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

ANDREW JENSEN,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society,

No. 394, A.,

A bill relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 228, S.,

A bill relating to the organization of societies auxiliary to the State Historical Society,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 453, A.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of county boards of examiners,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK T. TUCKER,

Chairman.

Nos. 82, A., and 394, A., were re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, March 18, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following bills, originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed, and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 335, A.,

An act relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same,

No. 74, A,

An act to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal and police courts of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for for two years,

No. 1, A.,

An act to amend chapter 152, of the laws of 1852, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan's asylum," as amended by chapter 10 of the private and local laws of 1861, entitled, "An act to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee orphan's asylum" approved March, 24th, 1852,"

No. 42, A.,

An act to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river,

No. 173, A.,

An act to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukesha county, Wisconsin,"

No. 95, A.,

An act to amend section 2989 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock,

No. 37, A.,

An act authorizing Price county to issue bonds for certain purposes,

No. 274, A.,

An act to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk,

No. 149, A.,

An act to amend section 3730, revised statutes, relating to garnishee proceedings in justice court,

No. 592, A.,

An act to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds towards the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes,

No. 153, A.,

An act to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida,"

No. 588, A.,

An act relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county,

No. 510, A.,

An act to amend chapter 47, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day,"

No. 494, A.,

An act to authorize the Kickapoo Valley Gun Club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county, on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section No. 7, in township No. 7 north of range No. 47,

No. 387, A.,

An act to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions,

No. 312, A.,

An act to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883,

No. 254, A.,

An act to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county,

No. 181, A.,

An act relating to evidence in certain cases,

No. 125, A.,

An act relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county,

No. 83, A.,

An act conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county,

No. 47, A.,

An act to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river from Buffalo county in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota,

No. 13, A.,

An act to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wisconsin.

The following memorial to congress has been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 4, A.,

Requesting congress to pass house of representatives bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks of the United States railway mail service.

The following bills, originating in the assembly, were recalled by resolution, on the dates given:

No. 437, A.,

An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"
Recalled March 18, at 10 o'clock a. m.

No. 307, A.,

An act authorizing W. G. Curtis and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river in Barron county, Wisconsin,
Recalled March 18, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 32, A.,

Recalling bill No. 158, A., now in hands of governor.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 20, S.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring. That the commissioner of insurance be and he hereby is required to report to senate and assembly by a tabulated statement the amount and character of all fees and other official perquisites, paid to or received by himself or others connected with said office, if any there be not accounted for to the secretary of state, and also the source from which the same is derived.

And that upon the coming in of such report the committee on State Affairs be and hereby is authorized to prepare and present a bill for the proper distribution of such funds, and the payment thereof into the state treasury,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2932, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

The ayes and noes being demanded, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 81; noes, 9; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—81.

Noes—Messrs. Buffington, Connors, Davidson, Frink, Lewis, Mosher, Polley, Smith D. K. and Thomas—9.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Gawin, Lange, Marsh, Pierce, Plummer, Sether, Sheffer, Sweeting and Mr. Speaker—10.

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways,

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131, of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 17, S.,

A bill to amend section 29, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 62, S.,

A bill amending section 3840 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 171 of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts,

No. 91, S.,

A bill to amend section 4, chapter 6, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee."

No. 92, S.,

A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 1878 relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county,

No. 159, S.,

A bill to abolish the fees of and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county.

No. 191, S.,

A bill relating to notices to lot owners of special assessments for sewer purposes, in cities of the third class incorporated under special charters,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

By unanimous consent,

Mr. Rosenkrans offered the following amendment, to

No. 117, S.,

A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice,

Amend by adding after the word "wire" in the 13th line the words "excepting said poles or wire shall have been attached or erected without first having permission of the owner of said premises in writing,"

Which was adopted,

The bill, as amended,

Was then read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 19, S.,

A bill to amend section 16, of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend section 3982 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to guardians and wards,

No. 71, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments upon the property of corporations,

No. 116, S.,

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 180, S.,

A bill to apportion certain money,

No. 229, S.,

A bill relating to the printing of the proceedings of the state conference of charities and corrections, and to amend section 5, chapter 526, laws of 1889,

No. 354, S.,

A bill authorizing the common councils or board of aldermen in cities of first or second classes to suspend or discontinue the publication of their proceedings,

No. 360, S.,

A bill relating to cemeteries,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend paragraph four of section 163, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to the duties of the attorney general,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Corporations, to

No. 264, S.,

A bill relating to evidence of ordinances, by-laws, resolutions and regulations of cities and villages, and amendatory of section 4137, of the revised statutes,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On a division of the house,

No. 35, S.,

A bill to repeal section 7, chapter 291, "relating to fees required to be paid to the state treasurer for the examination of banks,"

Was refused a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Anson,

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse,

Was re-referred to the committee on Cities.

On motion of Mr. Wolter,

No. 509, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged real estate,

Was laid over until next Wednesday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes,"

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Rosenkrans,

No. 477, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections,

Was laid over until next Wednesday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

Was re-referred to committee on Cities.

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by Mr. Rosenkrans, to
No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes in regard
to district attorneys,

Was not adopted.

No. 80, A.,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time, as recom-
mended by the committee on Judiciary.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10, of article
VIII, of the constitution of Wisconsin.

Was adopted.

The amended resolution, as follows:

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section
10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin be amended
by prefixing thereto the following: "Except for wagon roads,
designed and to be used solely for free public travel," so that
said section when so amended, shall read as follows, viz.:

Section 10. Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used
solely for free public travel, the state shall never contract any
debt for works of internal improvement, or be a party in carry-
ing on such works; but whenever grants of land or other prop-
erty shall have been made to the state, especially dedicated by
the grant to particular works of internal improvement, the state
may carry on such particular works; and shall devote thereto
the avails of such grants, and may pledge or appropriate the
revenues derived from such works in aid of their completion.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 12, A.,

A bill to regulate building and loan associations,

No. 64, A.,

A bill providing for allegation in complaints, indictments or
informations for larceny, and the evidence thereof,

No. 86, A.,

A bill allowing persons to cross private lands in order to fish
in public streams of the state,

No. 109, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 125 of the laws of Wis-
consin for the year 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of
written instruments,

No. 119, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of any city in this
state having a population of 100,000 or more, to cause rail-
way companies to erect retaining walls in certain cases,

No. 198, A.,

A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties
in circuits in which they do not usually preside,

No. 295, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments in cities and villages operating under the general charter law of this state, or under a special charter,

No. 304, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 236, of the session laws of 1895, relating to the election of constables in cities,

No. 308, A.,

A bill relating to actions to recover damages on account of death or personal injuries,

No. 428, A.,

A bill to regulate the election of town supervisors in counties having a population of less than one hundred thousand,

No. 478, A.,

A bill to protect the eyes of infants against blindness,

No. 587, A.,

A bill to amend section 4701, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to practice in criminal cases,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr Hurd,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

To amend article No. 11 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 193, S.,

A bill to authorize the dismissal of pending suits and proceedings for want of prosecution,

No. 218, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of assistant city attorneys in cities of the first and second classes, as defined by section 1 of chapter 312 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, whether such city be incorporated by special act of the legislature or under the general laws of the state,

No. 289, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 196, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 3962, of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians for minors,"

No. 358, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of H. N. Cronkrite, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Rock, elected by the voters of the village of Clinton, Rock county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

Joint resolution to amend the constitution, relating to the census,

No. 559, A.,

A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence,

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable,"

With amendments, with the recommendation, that when so amended, that the same do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 633, A., is as follows:

By adding a new section, to be known as section 2.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

No. 188, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of the town of Iron River in Bayfield county, and of its board of supervisors, in the purchase of the corporate rights and franchise, including all mains, pipes, machinery, buildings, lands, easements, property real and personal, constituting The Iron River Water, Light and Power Company's system of water works, located in the village of Iron River, and to legalize the bonds of said town issued in part consideration of said purchase,

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 546, A.,

A bill relating to the election of assessor in cities of the third and fourth classes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Cities.

No. 228, A.,

A bill relating to the election or appointment of women upon school boards, or boards of education in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters,

No. 265, A.,

A bill relating to elections and the counting and preservation of ballots, and repealing sections 64 and 75 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893,

With the recommendation that these two bills be indefinitely postponed.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,

Chairman.

Bill No. 546, A., was recommitted to the committee on Cities.

The committee Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 126, S.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first, of section 52, of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government," section 142 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 199, of the general laws of 1895; sections 143, 204, 205 and 51 of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 214, A.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first of section 52 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

FRANK A. ANSON,

Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 568, A.,

A bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

So referred.

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,

With an amendment, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend No. 336, A., by inserting after the word "follows" in the third line of section 1 of the printed bill the word and figures "Section 1121," and by striking out the word "day" in the fourth line of said section of the printed bill, also the parenthesis enclosing the word "Monday."

No. 579, A.,

A bill authorizing cities and villages to levy a tax for certain current expenses,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 137, S.,

A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty and forfeiture for a violation of its provisions,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, and recommend its passage when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 3 by striking out the word "sufficient," in line three of the printed bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "not to exceed two thousand dollars."

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin,

With amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend its passage when so amended.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Harvey:

Res. No. 29, A.,

Resolved, That the governor be requested to return to the assembly bills No. 138, A., and 309, A.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lewis demanded a call of the roll,

Which was made,

Showing the following members present:

Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Bechtel, Burnham, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hughes, Jensen, Jones D. F., Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Peterson, Polley, Pratt, Risum, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Thomas, Treat, True, White and Mr. Speaker—38.

Absent—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald McGrath, Niss, Olson, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Stanley, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—62.

There being no quorum,

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1897.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Cochran offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttlers, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Flagg, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—77.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Beach, Borchsenius, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Legried, Maertz, McGrath, Plummer, Sether, White, Wipperman and Wolfinger—23.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On motion of Mr. Sweeting,

All absentees were granted leave of absence for this session.

The journal of Friday, as corrected, was approved.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in assembly at close of session, Friday, March 19, 1897.

Whole number of bills introduced in assembly, 636.

COMMITTEES.	Assembly bills referred and re-referred.	Senate bills referred and re-referred.	Re-reported.	Now in committee.
Judiciary	198	38	181	55
Assessment and Collection of Taxes	65	6	56	15
Agriculture	22	.....	17	5
Cities	55	12	50	17
Corporations	24	4	17	11
Dairy and Food	7	1	4	4
Education	24	10	26	8
Finance, Banks and Insurance	16	7	8	15
Federal Relations	9	1	4	6
Legislative Expenditures	1	2	2	1
Lumber and Mining	10	3	11	2
Manufactures	8	1	.....	9
Military Affairs	5	1	5	1
Public Lands	4	.....	1	3
Public Health and Sanitation	23	5	9	19
Public Improvements .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Privileges and Elections	18	4	14	8
Railroads	15	.....	5	10
Roads and Bridges	19	2	12	5
State Affairs	55	11	61	5
Town and County Organization	51	4	43	12
Ways and Means	14	.....	10	4
Claims	40	.....	14	26
Charitable and Penal Institutions	21	1	14	8
Fish and Game	6	1	3	4
Printing	4	1	2	3
Totals	714	115	569	260
Bills re-referred	78	2	.....	.....
Total number bills	636	113	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

Assembly bills introduced and referred	636	.....
Assembly bills re-referred	78	.....
Senate bills received and referred	113	.....
Senate bills re-referred	2	.....
Bills reported .....	.....	569
Bills now in committee .....	.....	260
	829	829

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee	193	.....
Indefinitely postponed	234	.....
Passed assembly	139	.....
Concurred in by senate .....	.....	77
Non-concurred in by senate .....	.....	9
Pending in senate .....	.....	53
Bills pending—not ready for passage	70	.....
	636	139

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Reinholdt:

Pet. No. 1112, A.,

Remonstrance of John Klein and forty-two others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Niss:

Pet. No. 1113, A.,

Remonstrance of A. G. Gimmert and others, against passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Welch:

Pet. No. 1114, A.,

Petition of R. Gowens and thirty-five others, requesting passage of memorial to congress No. 3, A., for the return of statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 1115, A.,

Petition of Federated Trades Council of Milwaukee, recommending passage of bill No. 289, A.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 1116, A.,

Petition of Journeymen's union No. 75, of Milwaukee, recommending passage of bill No. 289, A., licensing plumbers.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1117, A.,

Petition of E. F. Riley and twenty-four others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 1118, A.,

Petition of L. P. Baker and fifteen others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 1119, A.,

Petition of Building Trades Council, of Milwaukee, recommending passage of bill No. 289, A., licensing plumbers.

To committee on Cities.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Pet. No. 1120, A.,

Petition of Otto Fisher and twelve citizens of Milwaukee, recommending bill No. 289, A., licensing plumbers.

To committee on Cities.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Mosher:

Jt. Res. No. 30, A.,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to report on the amount of mill tax since 1885, and the disposition thereof.

On a division of the house,

Was not adopted.

By Mr. Wolter:

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Granting Mr. Overbeck permission to introduce a bill.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrars of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates,

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Augus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river, in Oconto county, state of Wisconsin,

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 112, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 181 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 61 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county,"

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities of the first class and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery association, of La Crosse county, to sell and convey real estate,

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

Have examined the same, and have instructed me to report them back as in all respects correct.

No. 3, A.,

Joint resolution to amend subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, of the laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,
MARCH 20, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, in response to the request of your honorable body, received this morning, bills No. 138 and 309, originating in the assembly.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

No. 138, A.,

Was ordered to be returned to the senate for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Harvey,

The vote was reconsidered by which the senate amendments to bill No. 309, A., were concurred in, and

The bill was ordered to be returned to the senate for further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
The rules were suspended, and
His motion received and laid over until tomorrow,
To reconsider the vote by which the assembly refused to order to a third reading bill No. 35, S.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
The senate was requested to return the bill to the assembly.
On motion of Mr. Hall,
The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 307, A., was passed, and

Unanimous consent was given Mr. J. J. Smith to introduce the following amendment,

Which was adopted.

Amend No. 307, A., by striking out the words "shall not raise and maintain the waters of the said lake more than six inches above its natural water mark," where they occur in the eighth and ninth lines of section 1 of the printed bill, and insert in lieu thereof the words "be built and maintained at the same height as the unauthorized dam built and maintained at the said point during the year 1896."

The bill, as amended,

Was then passed.

Bill No. 443, A., was taken from the calendar, and re-committed to the committee on Claims.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 50, S.,

For the appointment of a committee to act in conjunction with the state fish commission and state fish and game warden to secure uniform legislation on the subject of fish and game for the states of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Illinois.

And has non-concurred in

No. 302, A.,

A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 200, A.,

A bill to confer and impose criminal jurisdiction upon the county court of La Crosse county,

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justice courts, and amendment of section 3710, revised statutes,

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of not more than three thousand population, incorporated by special act or under general laws, to change their names,

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums,

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

And has concurred in

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries, and amendatory of section 934, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 455, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 1, chapter 425, laws of 1889, relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk.

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section 1010 of the annotated statutes, relating to statistics of farm products.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 2, S.,

A bill to authorize the Citizens' State Bank, of Whitewater, to reduce its capital stock from seventy-five thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars,

No. 45, S.,

A bill to encourage the production of beet sugar in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors,

No. 182, S.,

A bill in aid of the public health and to prohibit the sale and use of contaminated ice for drinking, eating or cooling purposes, cut in any waters in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 285, S.,

A bill authorizing and empowering corporations organized for the purpose of erecting bridges, to condemn lands,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 50, S.,

Was laid over until to-morrow.

The senate amendment to bill No. 200, A.,

Was laid over until to-morrow.

The amendment is as follows:

Amend by striking out section 2, and substituting the following:

Section 2. The county court of the county of La Crosse shall have and exercise all the jurisdiction, authority, powers and rights given by law to justices of the peace in criminal actions. Said court shall have exclusive jurisdiction to try all cases of misdemeanor, and all prosecutions under the police regulations of the state (bastardy excepted), arising within said county, and shall have power to sentence and commit all persons convicted of any such offenses. Said court shall have authority and jurisdiction throughout said county to issue warrants for the apprehension of persons charged with the commission of any felony or bastardy within said county, and to examine such alleged offenders and commit or hold them to bail the same as a justice of the peace might otherwise do. On the plea of guilty by one accused of crime, the said court shall have jurisdiction and power to sentence the accused for any offense for which the highest penalty provided by law does not exceed five years' imprisonment in the state prison. On and after the first Monday in May, A. D. 1897, no justice of the peace, police justice or court commissioner within said county shall have or exercise any jurisdiction in criminal cases, or prosecutions under the police regulations of the state, except that in cases of felony and bastardy, such justices and court commissioners may issue warrants of arrest returnable to said county court; and when so doing they shall cause the complaint in any such case to be forthwith filed in said county court. Nothing in this section or in this act shall be construed as conferring upon said county court

jurisdiction in cases arising under any city or village ordinance, or as interfering with the jurisdiction of justices in cases arising under such ordinances.

Amend section 3 by striking out all after the word "peace" in the fourth line, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "and perform all ministerial acts required of him by and under the direction of said county court," so that the section when so amended shall read as follows:

Section 3. The register in probate of said La Crosse county shall be the clerk of said county court in all proceedings had under the provisions of this act, and shall be styled "clerk of the county court." Said clerk shall keep a record of such proceedings of said court substantially in the same form as the docket of a justice of the peace, and perform all the ministerial acts required of him by and under the direction of said county court.

The senate amendments, to

Bills Nos. 325, A., 408, A., 457, A. and 533, A.,

Were concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 2, S.,

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

No. 45, S.,

To committee on Agriculture.

No. 182 S.,

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

Nos. 156, S., 285, S., and 286, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Cochran offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—89.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Connors, Frink, Jensen, Lange, Maertz, McGrath, Plummer, Sether and Wolfinger—11.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs Ackermann, Wolfinger, Maertz, Beach, Connors, McGrath, and Jensen for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved.

On motion of Mr. Clason,
Three hundred additional copies of bill No. 235, A., were
ordered to be printed.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 1121, S.,

Petition of John Bates and others, for passage of bill No. 506,
A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 1122, A.,

Petition of L. Castle and thirty others, for passage of bill No.
506, A.,

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 1123, A.,

Petition of Rev. L. E. Peckham and eleven others, for the
passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 1124, A.,

Remonstrance of fifty-seven voters of Dane county, against
fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 1125, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Dane county, against fraternal as-
sessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 1126, A.,

Remonstrance of trustees of M. E. church of Lodi, against
bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolff:

Pet. No. 1127, A.,

Petition of Wm. Sorfeld and seventy-five others, in favor of
bill No. 240, A.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1128, A.,

Remonstrance of tax payers of town of Holton, against di-
vision of Marathon county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1129, A.,

Remonstrance of Jacob Kiehl and one hundred and thirty-four others, against the division of Marathon county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1130, A.,

Remonstrance of N. Hodge and fourteen others, against the passage of bill No. 410, A, detaching certain territory from Marathon county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1131, A.,

Remonstrance of J. D. Graves and fifty-six others, against the passage of bill No. 410, A.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 1132, A.,

Petition of citizens of Milwaukee for the passage of the bill providing for the reimbursement of holders of Keeley institute orders.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 1133, A.,

Petition of citizens of Fort Atkinson, for the passage of the bill providing for the re-imbursement of holders of Keeley institute orders.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 1134, A.,

Petition of citizens of Waukesha, for the passage of the bill providing for the re-imbursement of Keeley institute orders.

To committee on Claims.

By Mr. Buffington:

Pet. No. 1135, A.,

Petition of William Busselman and forty-three others, in favor of the passage of bill No. 580, A., to regulate primary elections.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Thomas:

Pet. No. 1136, A.,

Petition of C. L. Christianson and forty-three others, in favor of bill No. 571, A., to create the county of Rusk.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 1137, A.,

Petition of Christian Endeavor society of Elkhorn, favoring the passage of an anti-cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

Appointed under the provisions of chapter 1 of the laws of 1897 to revise the laws relating to the incorporation and government of villages.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of Wisconsin:

The commissioners appointed by the governor under the provisions of chapter 1 of the laws of 1897, to revise the laws relating to the incorporation and government of villages, made necessary by the decision of the supreme court in the case of North Milwaukee, respectfully submit for your consideration the result of their labors in the form of a bill, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation and government of villages, and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof "

Your commissioners were of the opinion that no good reason exists for uniting villages and towns for purposes of taxation, election of town officers, etc., but that more satisfactory results will obtain, and many complications be avoided by the complete separation of such municipalities. Laboring under this conviction, your commissioners have framed the bill submitted with reference to such separation.

Section 1 of bill is section 852 of the annotated statutes changed so as to make it conform to other provisions of the bill, and provides further that the special election for incorporation mentioned therein shall be held in March, in order that the change may take place immediately before the charter election, fixed by this bill on the first Tuesday in April.

Section 2 of bill is section 852a of the annotated statutes, written as one paragraph,

Section 3 of bill is section 852b of the annotated statutes, changed by leaving out subdivisions 2, 3, 4 and 5, and following the provisions of sections 906, 907 and 908 of the annotated statutes, in the collection of such taxes.

Section 4 of bill is section 852d of the annotated statutes condensed.

Section 5 of bill is section 853 of the annotated statutes.

Section 6 of bill is an entirely new section written to cure past defects. (See bill, 5a.)

Section 7 of bill is section 854 of the annotated statutes, with all of section 854a which it is necessary to retain.

Sections 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of bill are sections 855, 856, 857, 858, 859 and 860 of the annotated statutes.

Section 14 of bill is section 861 of the annotated statutes, changed to conform to the decision in the case of North Milwaukee.

Section, 15, 16, 17 and 18 of bill are sections 862, 863, 864 and 865 of the annotated statutes.

Section 19 of bill is section 866 of the annotated statutes, with an addition providing for the record to be made in the office of the secretary of state.

Sections 20, 21 and 22 of bill are sections 867, 868 and 869 of the annotated statutes.

Section 23 of bill is section 870 of the annotated statutes, changed to provide for villages embraced in two or more counties, and providing for like record to be made in the office of the secretary of state.

Section 24 of bill is section 871 of the annotated statutes, changed to make charter elections come on the first Tuesday in April and make terms of officers conform to the change.

Section 25 of bill is section 872 of the annotated statutes, changed to make notice of election more certain.

Sections 26 and 27 of bill are sections 873 and 874 of the annotated statutes.

Section 28 of bill is section 875 of the annotated statutes, changed to provide for the election of an assessor, and other slight changes to add certainty to its meaning.

Sections 29, 30, 31, and 32 of bill are sections 876, 877, 878 and 879 of the annotated statutes.

Section 33 of bill is section 880 of the annotated statutes, changed in subdivision 2 of said section to include an assessor, and in subdivision 7 to include contracts. New subdivision numbered 8 provides for making the tax roll.

Section 34 of bill is section 881 of the annotated statutes changed to conform to the provisions of the bill separating towns and villages.

Section 35 of bill is a new section defining duties of assessor, made necessary by provisions of the bill dividing towns and villages.

Sections 36, 37 and 38 of bill are sections 882, 883 and 884 of the annotated statutes.

Section 39 of bill is section 885 of the annotated statutes, changed to provide that justices of the peace hold their office until the successors are elected and qualified to conform to the constitution.

Sections 40, 41, 42 and 43 of bill are sections 886, 887, 888 and 889 of the annotated statutes.

Section 44 of bill is section 890 of the annotated statutes, changed to include officers of villages incorporated under special laws.

Section 45 of bill is section 891 of the annotated statutes.

Section 46 of bill is section 892 of the annotated statutes, changed in subdivision 11 to include roads and to authorize the removal of snow and ice at the expense of the village, and in subdivision 27 verbal changes, made necessary by provisions separating villages and towns.

Sections 47 and 48 of bill same as sections 893 and 894 of the annotated statutes.

Section 49 of bill is section 894a of the annotated statutes, changed to conform to the provisions of the bill separating towns and villages, and making villages separate road districts.

Section 50 of bill is section 895 of the annotated statutes with verbal changes to make more explicit.

Section 51 of bill is section 896 of the annotated statutes, changed to make the publication of notice more certain.

Sections 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 and 57 of bill are sections 897, 898, 899, 900, 901 and 902 of the annotated statutes.

Section 58 of bill is section 903 of the annotated statutes, changed to provide that the village treasurer shall certify delinquent taxes; also verbal changes all made necessary by provisions of bill separating towns and villages; also leaving out a five per centum (5 per cent.) penalty provided in statute.

Section 59 of bill is section 904 of the annotated statutes, adding the proviso in chapter 174 of the laws of 1891.

Section 60 of bill is section 905 of the annotated statutes.

Section 61 of bill is section 906 of the annotated statutes, changed to allow the board of trustees to determine the price of labor and material.

Section 62 of bill is section 907 of the annotated statutes, with verbal changes made necessary by the provisions separating towns and villages.

Section 63 of bill is section 908 of the annotated statutes.

Section 64 of bill is section 909 of the annotated statutes, rewritten to make repairs not exceeding ten dollars in cost chargeable to general fund.

Section 65 of bill is section 911 of the annotated statutes, changed by excepting members of the national guard and active members of fire companies.

Section 66 of bill is section 912 of the annotated statutes, changed to limit the additional sum that may be levied not to exceed seven mills on the dollar, in addition to the highway tax provided in section 68 of the bill, and limiting the amount that may be expended outside the village to one third of said tax so collected, and to a distance of two miles from the boundary line; also verbal changes made necessary by provisions herein separating villages and towns.

Section 67 of bill is section 914 of the annotated statutes, omitting part made unnecessary by provisions separating towns and villages.

Section 68 of bill is section 914a of the annotated statutes,

changed to conform to the provisions of this bill, providing for division of villages and towns.

Section 69 of bill is a substitute for section 915 of the annotated statutes, making chapter 49 of the annotated statutes apply to the details of collecting taxes in villages.

Section 70 of bill is section 916 of the annotated statutes.

Section 71 of bill is section 917 of the annotated statutes with verbal changes made necessary by provisions separating towns and villages.

Section 72 of bill is section 918 of the annotated statutes, with provisions added making method of appeal more specific.

Sections 73, 74, 75, 76 and 77 of bill are sections 919, 919a, 919b, 919c and 919d of the annotated statutes.

Section 78 of bill is section 919e of the annotated statutes, changed so as not to permit the board of trustees to make it impossible for a contractor to bring an action against a village to recover for work performed.

Section 79 of bill is section 919f of the annotated statutes, changed so as to make it more specific in giving notice.

Section 80 of bill is section 919g of the annotated statutes.

Section 81 of bill is section 919h of the annotated statutes, with verbal changes made necessary by provisions separating towns and villages.

Section 82 of bill is section 919i of the annotated statutes.

Section 83 of bill is section 919j of the annotated statutes changed to make it more specific as to giving notice.

Section 84 of bill is section 919k of the annotated statutes, with verbal changes made necessary by the provisions separating towns and villages.

Section 85 of bill is section 919l of the annotated statutes.

Section 86 of bill is section 919m of the annotated statutes.

Sections 87 and 88 of bill are sections 920 and 921 of the annotated statutes.

Section 89 of bill is section 923 of the annotated statutes, with verbal changes made necessary by provisions separating towns and villages; also provides that no village shall dissolve or abandon its organization while an action is pending against it or a judgment against it remains unpaid.

Section 90 of bill is section 924 of the annotated statutes, with slight verbal changes.

Section 91 of bill is section 925 of the annotated statutes, with an addition providing for distribution of the territory.

Section 92 of bill is subdivisions 1, 2 and 3 of section 925a of the annotated statutes, condensed and rewritten as one paragraph, with verbal changes.

Section 93 of bill is subdivisions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of section 925a of the annotated statutes, condensed and written as one paragraph with verbal changes making its provisions more certain.

Section 94 of bill is section 925b of the annotated statutes, with an addition providing a method for apportioning the indebtedness where the village is incorporated from territory embraced in two or more towns.

Section 95 of bill is a new section to provide for the sprinkling of streets.

Section 96 of bill is a new section providing for the division of property owned by towns and villages.

Section 97 of bill is a new section providing for the expiration of term of office of town officers resident in newly incorporated villages.

Section 98 of bill is a new section providing that villages which have reached the population of cities of the fourth class shall take on city government.

Section 99 of bill is a new section providing that this act shall not effect pending litigation.

Section 100 of bill is a new section providing that all villages incorporated under this or any general law shall constitute separate municipalities and election districts.

Section 101 of bill is a new section providing for the appointment of assessors in certain cases.

Sections 102, 103 and 104 explain themselves.

Sections 852c, 852e, 852f, 852g, 852h, 854a, 870a, 870b, 870c, 870d, 870e, 870f, 870g, 870h, 870i, 870j, 892a, 892b, 892c, 892d, 910, 912a, 913, 915, 915a, 918a, 919m are repealed as being unnecessary.

Your commissioners desire to give public expression of their thanks to Mr. A. L. Sanborn and Mr. John R. Berryman for the many courtesies extended to them during the preparation of the bill.

W. H. MYLREA,
H. P. BURDICK,
H. W. BROWN,
Commissioners.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 2, S.,

A bill authorizing the Citizens' State Bank of Whitewater to reduce its capital stock.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Proposition to amend section 10 of article 8, of the constitution of Wisconsin,

Bill No. 55, A.,

In relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls,

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes,

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 437, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

Have had the same under consideration, and find the same correctly re-enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The special committee appointed pursuant to joint resolution No. 4, A., to examine into the question why electricity was not introduced into the capitol building instead of gas, and to ascertain, if possible, the reasons why such change was not made pursuant to law heretofore enacted in 1895, would respectfully report that they have made diligent search into the facts and circumstances concerning said matter, and do now respectfully submit their report as follows:

Under the act of 1895 the sum of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) was appropriated for the purpose of constructing the electric light plant and supplying the capitol building with electric light. It appears that after the passage of this act estimates for an electric light plant for the capitol building and park grounds were secured, and it was found that the cost of the same would exceed the appropriation made by at least seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) for the reason that additional boiler capacity would be necessary, which was not calculated upon. For this reason, and for the further reason that the lighting system which obtained in 1895 was greatly improved and the cost of the same greatly reduced, no change to electricity was made. However, we are informed by his excellency the governor and the superintendent of public property that such a change may still be advisable in the near future.

It may be interesting to submit the following figures: For the years 1893 and 1894 the cost of gas alone for the capitol building was \$9,313.91; for the years 1895 and 1896 the cost was \$7,131.30. According to a contract which is now in existence for the years 1897 and 1898 the cost to the state will be only \$5,705.04, a saving to the state from 1893 and 1894 of \$3,608.87. All of which is respectfully submitted.

SENATORS

C. E. PEIRCE,
JULIUS E. ROEHR,

ASSEMBLYMEN

J. C. MARSH,
O. L. ROSENKRANS,
T. McDONALD.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. Houser, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

Jt. Res. No. 33, A.,

Granting Mr. Overbeck permission to introduce a bill.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 205, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 292, laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 200, A.,

A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of La Crosse, in and for the county of La Crosse,

Was concurred in.

No. 205, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 50, S.,

For the appointment of a committee to act in conjunction with the state fish commission and state fish and game warden, to secure uniform legislation on the subject of fish and game for the states of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Illinois,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrar of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates,

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof,"

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein,

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities of the first class operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the Hamilton Cemetery association, of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, to sell and convey real estate,

No. 632 A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

To amend subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended by striking out the words "declared their intention to," so that said subdivision, when so amended, shall read as follows:

Subdivision 2. "Persons of foreign birth who shall have become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization."

The ayes and noes being required, the joint resolution was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 76; noes, 6; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Legried, Lewis, Marsh,

Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—76.

Noes—Messrs. Davidson, Hogan, Krauss, Parker, Peterson and Wolff—6.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Frink, Jensen, Lange, Latta, Maertz, McGrath, Morgan, Olson, Plummer, Rosenkrans, Sether and Wolfinger—18.

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given.

The ayes and noes being demanded, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 43; noes, 42; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Dresser, Harvey, Hindes, Hughes, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Taylor, Treat, True, Utt, Welch, White, Woller, Wolter and Wylie—43.

Noes—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Buffington, Bullard, Clason, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Klabunde, Lewis, Marsh, Minch, Morgan, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Ray, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—42.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Church, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Frink, Jensen, Lange, Maertz, McGrath, Plummer, Rosenkrans, Sether and Wolfinger—15.

No. 19, S.,

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee,"

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend paragraph four of section 163, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to the duties of the attorney general,

No. 43, S.,

A bill to amend section 3982 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to guardians and wards,

No. 71, S.,

A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments upon the property of corporations,

No. 116, S.,

A bill to amend section 20, of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 229, S.,

A bill relating to the printing of the proceedings of the state conference of charities and corrections, and to amend section 5, chapter 526, laws of 1889,

No. 264, S.,

A bill relating to evidence of ordinances, by-laws, resolutions, and regulations of cities and villages, and amendatory of section 4137, of the revised statutes,

No. 360, S.,

A bill relating to cemeteries,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 180, S.,

A bill to apportion certain money,

Was re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Anson,

No. 354, S.,

A bill authorizing the common councils or board of aldermen in cities of first or second classes to suspend or discontinue the publication of their proceedings,

Was laid over until next Thursday in its regular order.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 126, S.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first, of section 52, of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government," section 142 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 199, of the general laws of 1895; sections 143, 204, 205 and 51 of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 137, S.,

A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty and forfeiture for the violation of its provisions.

No. 193, S.,

A bill to authorize the dismissal of pending suits and proceedings for want of prosecution,

No. 218, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of assistant city attorneys in cities of the first and second classes, as defined by section 1 of chapter 312, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, whether such city be incorporated by special act of the legislature or under the general laws of the state,

No. 228, S.,

A bill relating to the organization of societies auxiliary to the State Historical Society, and amendatory of chapter 24 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 289, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 196, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 3962 of the revised statutes relating to the appointment of guardians for minors,"

No. 358, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of H. N. Cronkrite, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Rock, elected by the voters of the village of Clinton, Rock county, Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

To amend article No. 11 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That article 11 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be and hereby is amended by adding thereto a new section known as section 6 as follows:

Section 6. The legislature is hereby authorized and empowered to restrict and limit taxation in the various counties and towns in this state,

■ Were severally ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

No. 629, A.,

A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898,

Was laid over for one week, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor,

Was laid over until next Thursday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to practice of pharmacy,"

Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Minch,
No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu,

Was laid over until next Thursday in its regular order.

Mr. Wheeler moved that
No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

Be laid over for one week.

Mr. Tucker moved as an amendment, that bill No. 313, A., be laid over until next Thursday,

Which motion was lost.

The question was then put upon the motion of Mr. Wheeler,
Which was carried on a division of the house.

On motion of Mr. Flett,
No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,
No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Flett,
No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

Was re-referred to committee on Cities.

The amendment offered by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Lumber and Mining, to

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

Was adopted,

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7 of chapter 194, laws of 1879,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Polacheck moved that

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin

Be re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

The ayes and noes being demanded, the motion to recommit was lost.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 20; noes, 67; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Burnham, Cashin, Clark, Feige, Froehlich, Gawin, Hoyt, Klabunde, Krauss, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Polacheck, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Wolfinger, Woller and Yorkey—20.

Noes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—67.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Connors, Eaton, Frink, Jensen, Lange, Maertz, McGrath, Olson, Plummer, Sether and Welch—13.

Mr. Peterson moved that the assembly take a recess until 7:30 p. m.,

Which motion was lost.

The question being upon the amendment in form of a substitute offered by the standing committee on bill 499, A.,

Mr. Niss offered an amendment,

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Polacheck offered an amendment,

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Pierce moved the previous question, and

The motion was sustained.

The question being, shall the main question be put?

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 80; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—80.

Noes—Messrs. Burnham, Polacheck and Schellenberg—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Clark, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Frink, Jensen, Lange, Maertz, McGrath, Mosher, Olson, Plummer, Sether, Welch and Mr. Speaker—17.

The amendment in form of a substitute as offered by the committee on State Affairs,

Was then adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Dresser,

The senate was requested to return to the assembly bill No. 339, S.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 106, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 311, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature, and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 165, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred;

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 143 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Prairie du Chien Bridge Company," approved March 10, 1855,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 596, A..

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846, etc.,"

With an amendment in the form of a substitute and recommend that the substitute bill do pass.

No. 363, S.,

A bill in relation to corporations and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes.

With amendment, and that when so amended it be concurred in.

The proposed amendments is as follows:

Amend bill No. 363, S., by striking out in the tenth line the words, "at a price to be fixed by said vote," also in lines 21 and 22 amend by striking out the words "at a price to be fixed by said vote."

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 501, A.,

A bill to continue an appropriation to the state university,
Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 545, A.,

A bill relating to the sale of the products of the university farm and dairy school,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK T. TUCKER,

Chairman.

Bill No. 501, A., was recommitted to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend No. 348, A., by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Section 1. The provisions of chapter 182 of the laws of 1891 are hereby made applicable to all cities and villages, any provision of any city or village charter to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

N. B. TREAT,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and recommend its passage when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amendment to No. 376, A.:

Amend section 1 of the printed bill by striking out the words "attorney general is," where they occur in the first line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "governor, attorney general and state librarian are." Amend by striking out the word "fifteen" where it occurs in the sixth line of said section one, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eight."

Amend section 2 by inserting after the word "general" where it occurs in the second line of said section in the printed bill, the words "and state librarian."

Amend section three by striking out the word "the" where it first occurs in the fourth line of the printed section and inserting in lieu thereof the word "this."

Amend section four by inserting after the word "general" where it occurs in the second line of said section in the printed bill the words "and state librarian."

Add a new section as follows:

Section 5. The laws contained in such compilation shall take effect and be enforced on the same date as shall be provided by law for the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1897 to take effect and be in force.

Amend sections five and six of the printed bill by renumbering them six and seven respectively.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

Bill No. 376, A., with amendments, was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 550, A.,

A bill to provide for the improvement of public highways and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

No. 355, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

With recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

J. O. DAVIDSON,

Chairman.

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The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 139, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to the terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the work house of any county or counties,

No. 551, A.,

A bill to protect vineyards, orchards and gardens,

No. 552, A.,

A bill to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of attorneys who defend indigent prisoners,

No. 621, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of unclaimed property,

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases,

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for Langlade county.

With the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 325, S.,

A bill to protect farmers and others in the enjoyment of certain riparian rights,

With amendments, with the recommendation that when so amended, the same be concurred in,

Messrs Buttles and Tucker dissenting.

No. 38, S.,

A bill to amend section 2625 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the place of trial of civil actions.

No. 266, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 50 of the laws of 1889, relating to the terms of court in the second judicial circuit,

No. 275, S.,

A bill to amend section 2432, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to circuit courts,

No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 325, S., is as follows:

By adding at the end of section 1 the following: "but such right shall in no case extend beyond one-fourth mile from such shore line."

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Tucker bill

No 325, S., with amendments,

Was re-committed to the committee on Fish and Game.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 10, A.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10 of article 8 of the constitution of Wisconsin,

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes in regard to district attorneys,

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes,

Have had the same under examination, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a Northern Wisconsin state fair to be held at Chippewa Falls,

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery, in the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under examination and have instructed me to report the same back with verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal corrections to Nos. 126, A., and 235, A., were adopted.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 17, A.,

A bill for the distribution of the blue book,

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 452, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 458, laws of 1889, relating to school of science of the university of Wisconsin,

No. 498, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to Christ. Anderson, Gustag Freitag, John F. Ball and 21 others, laborers employed upon the state home for feeble-minded,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

With an amendment, and recommend that when so amended, it do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out the figures "\$707.12" where they occur in the fourth line, and insert in lieu thereof "\$543.37, being in full for amount claimed."

GEO. H. RAY,

Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:
No. 121, A.,

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils or petroleum and petroleum products for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 288 of the laws of 1881, and chapter 158 of the laws of 1883 and chapter 440 of the laws of 1889,

No. 241, A.,

A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies,

No. 122, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

No. 450, A.,

A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board,

No. 570, A.,

A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products,

Have examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Anson,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 354, S., was laid over until next Thursday, and

The bill was read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 128, A., was laid over until next Thursday.

An amendment offered by Mr. Lange on March 11,

Was withdrawn.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary to bill No. 128, A.,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate returns to assembly

No. 339, S.,

A bill to provide better protection to state fish hatcheries, grounds, fish and equipment,

And requests a reconsideration of the vote of concurrence.

And has reconsidered the vote by which

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes as amended by subdivision, 6 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

Was concurred in.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 309, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes, as amended by sub-division 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

And has concurred in,

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Memorial to Congress No. 1, S.,

For an amendment to the constitution of the United States, to give to congress concurrent jurisdiction with the several states for the suppression of trusts and other combinations to control production, stifle competition, and to regulate for their own benefit the price of products and the wages of labor,

No. 5, S.,

A bill in relation to the labeling and marking of convict made goods, wares and merchandise manufactured in states requiring the labeling and marking of such goods, wares and merchandise,

No. 30, S.,

A bill to provide a contingent fund for the prevention of cholera and other dangerous contagious diseases, and providing for an appropriation,

No. 39, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and return of the same and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,

No. 58, S.,

A bill to regulate the nomination of candidates,

No. 170, S.,

A bill to provide for salary of librarians of school districts.

No. 175, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring additional land for a rifle range, and for other purposes, and to make an appropriation therefor.

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

No. 294, S.,

A bill relating to the disposition of fines in certain cases,

No. 349, S.,

A bill to abolish and repeal the civil jurisdiction of the county court of Dodge county,

No. 353, S.,

A bill to provide for securing adequate fire protection for the capitol building and necessary facilities for sprinkling the capitol park, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 361, S.,

A bill to authorize George Beyer and Charles Hall, their successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Oconto river, in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

No. 364, S.,

A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898,

No. 366, S.,

A bill imposing a uniform charge to counties for the care and maintenance of boys committed to the Wisconsin Industrial School for Boys,

No. 367, S.,

A bill authorizing the State Historical Society to sell and convey certain real estate.

And returns as requested to assembly for further consideration,

No. 35, S.,

A bill to repeal section 7, chapter 291, laws of 1895, "relating to fees required to be paid to the state treasurer for the examination of banks."

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

On motion of Mr. Dresser,

The rules were suspended, and

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 339, S., was concurred in.

The following amendment offered by Mr. Dresser:

Amend No. 339, S., by striking out the word "exceeding" where it occurs in the sixth line of section 3 and inserting in lieu thereof the words "less than,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 309, A.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

Mem. to Congress, No. 1, S.,

Nos. 203, S., 294, S. and 349, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 5, S., and 30, S.,

To committee on State Affairs.

Nos. 39, S., and 58, S.,

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

Nos. 170 and 367, S.,

To committee on Education.

No. 175, S.,

To committee on Military Affairs.

No. 353, S.,

To committee on Public Improvements.

No. 361, S.,

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

Nos. 57, S., 364, S., and 366, S.,

Were ordered placed on the calendar for tomorrow.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 559, A.,

A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence,

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes, of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

WHEREAS, Under the present system of biennial elections and biennial sessions of the legislature it is not possible to apportion the state into senate and assembly districts, based upon both the United States and state census, so as to cover two equal election periods; and,

WHEREAS, the state has reached a period in its development when the general future growth will be so moderate that it will not be greatly desirable to know the exact population every fifth year, and when the sectional growth will be so rare that it will no longer be necessary to enumerate so often in order to give the different portions of the state a reasonably fair and equitable representation; and,

WHEREAS, The state census entails too great an expense upon the people to be maintained without some great necessity; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 3 of article IV of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. At their regular session after each enumeration made by the authority of the United States the legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate and assembly according to the number of inhabitants as ascertained by such census, exclusive of Indians not taxed and soldiers and officers of the United States army and navy,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 188, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of the town of Iron River in Bayfield county, in the purchase of the water-works system,

No. 214, A.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first of section 52 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 228, A.,

A bill relating to the election or appointment of women upon school boards, or boards of education in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters,

No. 237, A.,

A bill to encourage the maintenance of permanent land marks and make public records thereof,

No. 265, A.,

A bill relating to elections and the counting and preservation of ballots, and repealing sections 64 and 75 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893,

No. 453, A.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of county boards of examiners, and provide for their compensation,

No. 531, A.,

A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands,

No. 579, A.,

A bill authorizing cities and villages to levy a tax for certain current expenses,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

The amendment offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute offered by the committee on Agriculture, to bill

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary,

Was adopted,

The bill, as amended

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the word "steam, electric or cable,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Schellenberg,

The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Cochran offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risur, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wiperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Borchsenius, Flagg, Jensen, Klambunde, Merriman, McGrath, Plummer, Sether, Thompson and Utt—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Flagg, Merriman, McGrath, Borchsenius and Thompson.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 1138, A.,

Remonstrance against bill No. 370, A.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 1139, A.,

Remonstrance of K. Hubener and thirty-seven members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, against bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1140, A.,

Petition of F. J. Lamb and sixteen others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Pet. No. 1141, A.,

Petition of A. W. Hall and twenty-eight others, in favor of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 1142, A.,

Remonstrance of Joseph L. Blanc and ninety-nine others, against the recall of the statue of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Taylor:

Pet. No. 1143, A.,

Remonstrance of Joseph Le Blanc and fifty-seven others, against the passage of Bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. D. F. Jones:

Pet. No. 1144, A.,

Remonstrance of H. W. Wright, against bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Wolfinger:

Pet. No. 1145, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of Calumet county, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Buttles:

Pet. No. 1146, A.,

Remonstrance of voters of La Crosse county, against fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Overbeck:

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, Door county.

To committee on Federal Relations.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Jt. Res. No. 34, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Hurd be allowed to introduce a bill to amend chapter 84, section 1, laws of 1895, an act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Schellenberg:

Jt. Res. No. 35, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr Wolfinger be and is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to prescribing and fixing the terms of circuit court of Calumet county.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Res. No. 31, A.,

For appointment of committee to arrange an entertainment in the assembly chamber.

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. White,

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Frink,

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

Was re-referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

On motion of Mr. Rosenkrans,

No. 477, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections,

Was re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

No. 509, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged real estate,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend the printed bill No. 536, A.,

Section 2. Section 2 of chapter 23, of the laws of 1895, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2. There is hereby constituted, created and established in the territory comprised within the said towns of Oconomowoc, Morton, Delafield, Summit, Ottawa, city of Oconomowoc, and the village of Hartland, being the towns named in section 1 of this act, a court to be known as "The municipal court for the western district of Waukesha county, which shall be held at the city of Oconomowoc in said county by a judge to be elected for that purpose."

By renumbering the sections following said section 2 so added so that section 2 of the printed bill shall be section 3, and each following section shall have a number one greater than its present number.

To amend further by striking out all of line 14 of section 2 of the printed bill after the word "applicable" and all of lines 15, 16 and 17 and the words in the 18th line to and including the

word "be" and by inserting in place thereof the following words: "appeals from judgments rendered in said court in civil actions, shall be taken to the county court of Waukesha county in the same manner as appeals from judgments of justices of the peace in civil actions."

Amend section 4 beginning with the thirteenth line after the word "same," strike out the balance of line thirteen, all of 14 and line 15 to and including the word "discretion" and substituting therefor the words "under the supervision of said court." In the 39th line of section 4 insert the word "out" after the word "kept."

In the 23d line of section 7 of the bill, strike out the word "penal," where it occurs in two places in said line, and insert instead thereof in each place the word "official."

In section 12 of the printed bill strike out the word "five" in line 2 and the word "hundred" in line 3 and in place thereof insert the word "one thousand" and in the sixth line of said section strike out the word "three" and insert in place thereof the word "six."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor,

No. 131, A.

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7 of chapter 194, laws of 1879,

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

Pursuant to Jt. Res. No. 50, S.,

To secure uniform legislation on the subject of fish and game,

The speaker appointed Messrs. Flett and Overbeck as members of the committee on the part of the assembly.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes in regard to district attorneys,

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes, relating to lands sold for taxes,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

Jt. Res. No 10, A.,

Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10, of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin be amended by prefixing thereto the following: "Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel," so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows, viz.:

Section 10. Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel, the state shall never contract any debt for works of internal improvement, or be a party in carrying on such works; but whenever grants of land or other property shall have been made to the state, especially dedicated by the grant to particular works of internal improvement, the state may carry on such particular works; and shall devote thereto the avails of such grants, and may pledge or appropriate the revenues derived from such works in aid of their completion.

The ayes and noes being required, the resolution was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 16.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinde, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K. Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—Mr. Polley—1.

Absent or not voting.—Messrs. Borchsenius, Flagg, Frink, Jensen, Klabunde, Lange, Merriman, McGrath, Parker, Plummer, Reinnoldt, Sether, Thompson, Utt, Welch and Wheeler—16.

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 65; noes, 20; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes.—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Fogo ,

Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jones W. A., Lange, Latta, Legried, Merrill, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—65.

Noes—Messrs. Buttles, Harvey, Hogan, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, Minch, Parker, Pierce, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker and Wolfinger—20.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Davidson, Feige, Flagg, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Merriman, McGrath, Plummer, Sether, Smith D. K., Taylor, Thompson and Utt—15.

No. 126, S.,

A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first, of section 52, of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government," section 142 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 199, of the general laws of 1895; sections 143, 204, 205 and 51 of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 137, S.,

A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty and forfeiture for a violation of its provisions,

No. 193, S.,

A bill to authorize the dismissal of pending suits and proceedings for want of prosecution,

No. 218, S.,

A bill to authorize the appointment of assistant city attorneys in cities of the first and second classes, as defined by section 1 of chapter 312 of laws of Wisconsin for 1893, whether such city be incorporated by special act of the legislature or under the general laws of the state,

No. 228, S.,

A bill relating to the organization of societies auxiliary to the State Historical Society, and amendatory of chapter 24 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 289, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 196, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 3962 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians for minors,"

No. 358, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of H. N. Cronkrite, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Rock, elected by the voters of the village of Clinton, Rock county, Wisconsin,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 16, S.,

To amend article No. 11 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring. That article 11 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be and hereby is amended by adding thereto a new section known as section 6 as follows:

Section 6. The legislature is hereby authorized and empowered to restrict and limit taxation in the various counties and towns in this state.

The ayes and noes being required, the resolution was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 86; noes, none; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Clason, Davidson, Flagg, Hurd, Jensen, Klabunde, Merriman, McGrath, Plummer, Sether, Smith D. K., Thompson and Utt—14.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,

Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

Was made a special order of business for tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 364, S.,

A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898,

Was made a special order of business for next Friday at 11 o'clock a. m.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to authorize the Citizens' State Bank, of Whitewater, to reduce its capital stock from seventy-five thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars,

No. 38, S.,

A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties in circuits in which they do not usually preside,

No. 106, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 311, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature, and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 143 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Prairie du Chien Bridge Company," approved March 10, 1855,

No. 266, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 50 of the laws of 1889, relating to the terms of court in the second judicial circuit,

No. 275, S.,

A bill to amend section 2432 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to circuit courts,

No. 366, S.,

A bill imposing a uniform charge to counties for the care and maintenance of boys committed to the Wisconsin Industrial School for Boys.

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The amendments offered by the standing committee, to
No. 363, S.,

A bill in relation to corporations, and to amend section 1775
of the revised statutes,

Were adopted.

The bill was then ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 17, A.,

A bill for the distribution of the blue book,

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway
and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities
and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so
taken,

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wis-
consin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions
to the city of La Crosse,

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money
therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's
fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules
of the legislature,

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers
chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in
certain cases,

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to munic-
ipal court in and for Langlade county,

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating
to executions,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The following amendments were offered, to

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895,
entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as
amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of
the laws of 1887, relating to practice of pharmacy,"

By Mr. Overbeck:

Amend 223, A., by striking out the words "and sold in the original package" where they occur in the 53rd and 54th lines of section one.

By Mr. Peterson:

After the words "drugs and poisons," appearing in section 9, line 28, the following clause is hereby inserted, "except paris green put up in packages labeled 'Paris Green Poison'" in his store or place of business in towns, cities or villages having less than five hundred inhabitants,

Which amendments were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was then ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

Separate action was taken on each of the amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

The proposed amendment to section 1,

Was not adopted.

The following amendments were adopted:

Amend by inserting as an additional section to stand as section 2, the following:

Section 2. Section 4231 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

Provided, however, that no corporation which owns within this state a manufacturing plant, and which shall have filed with the secretary of state, duly executed by its president and secretary, and attested by its corporate seal, an instrument appointing a resident of this state its attorney for it and on its behalf, to accept service of process in all actions commenced against it upon causes of action arising in this state, shall be deemed a person out of this state within the meaning of this section.

Amend further by renumbering section 2 of the printed bill, so as to make the same section 3.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

No. 621, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of unclaimed property,
Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

Mr. Hall offered the following amendments, to
No 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

Amend No. 96, A., by striking out the word "shall" where it appears in the second line of section 1 and in the ninth line of section 3 of the printed bill and insert in lieu thereof the word "may."

Further amend by striking out the words and figures in the second line of section 1 of the printed bill "for the year 1897," and by striking out the word "their" in the same line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "any" and by striking out the word "meetings" where it occurs in the same line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "meeting."

Which were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to
No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 139, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to the terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the work house of any county or counties,

No. 165, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 201, A.,

A bill relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject,

No. 355, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 452, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 458, laws of 1889, relating to school of science of the university of Wisconsin,

No. 498, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to Christ. Anderson, Gustag Freitag, John F. Ball and 21 others, laborers employed upon the state home for feeble-minded,

No. 545, A.,

A bill relating to the sale of the products of the university farm and dairy school,

No. 550, A.,

A bill to provide for the improvement of public highways and appropriating a sum of money therefor,

No. 551, A.,

A bill to protect vineyards, orchards and gardens against vandalism,

No. 552, A.,

A bill to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of attorneys who defend indigent prisoners, Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Polacheck moved to recommit bill No. 258, A., to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Hogan moved to recommit bill No. 258, A., to the committee on Education,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Mosher moved that bill No. 258, A.,

Be laid over for one week,

Pending which motion,

On motion of Mr. Mosher,

As amended by motion of Mr. Cashin,

The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock p. m

EVENING SESSION.

7 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Barnum:

Pet. No. 1147, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., signed by E. T. Wheelock and twenty-one others, of Marathon county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. Nos. 1148, 1149 and 1150, A.,

For the repeal of the law exempting private sanitariums from taxation.

To the committee of conference on No. 48, A.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Hurd:

No. 639, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 84, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways."

To committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wolfinger: (By request.)

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county.

To committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Webster:

No. 641, A.,

A bill to maintain bridges in certain cases.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hall:

Jt. Res. No. 36, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That permission be granted Assemblyman Rosenkrans to introduce a bill to prohibit the exhibition of pictures of prize fights or other unlawful acts by means of the biograph, kinetoscope or kindred machines, and providing a penalty for violating the provisions thereof.

The resolution was not adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 73, A,

A bill to amend chapter 310 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets and the issue of improvement bonds therefor in cities of 20,000 inhabitants and upwards,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to special assessments for the paving or repaving of any street or avenue with a permanent paving having concrete foundation and bordering on a public park in cities having a population of 100,000 or over,

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

No. 543, A.,

A bill authorizing cities of a certain class to grant water-works franchises to any persons, company or corporation, and providing for the rental to be paid by such cities for the use of water from such water works for protection against fire,

With amendments in the form of substitutes, with the recommendation that they do pass when so amended.

Jt. Res. No. 14, A.,

For appointment of a commission to investigate and report on system of land registration, and provide for publication of, and report of same,

With the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on State Affairs.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

Jt. Res. No. 14, A., was so referred.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 578, A.,

A bill to fix the maximum rate to be charged by persons, companies or corporations engaged in the express business for the transportation of articles by express in this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties,

With amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend that, when so amended, it do pass.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 45, S.,

A bill to encourage the production of beet sugar in the state of Wisconsin and to make an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 115, A.,

A bill to encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money for that purpose,

No. 284, A.,

A bill amending section 1, of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the state agricultural society,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

B. A. EATON,

Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 166, S.,

A bill to regulate the sale of vaccine virus, therapeutical serum, modified toxins, and similar products intended to be used in the prevention and treatment of contagious diseases,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 251, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1024 and 1024a, chapter 47, of the annotated statutes, relating to records of deaths and fees for certificates,

No. 6, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 41, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in Wisconsin, and to license physicians and surgeons, and to punish persons violating the provisions of this act,

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to patent medicine,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 523, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railway and to amend section 1803 of the annotated statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

With amendment, and with the recommendation that the bill do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 332, A., is as follows:

To amend second line of section one of the printed bill by inserting after the word "mile" where it occurs in said line, the words "per annum."

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

The committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred:

No. 624, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982 of the revised statutes, relating to exemptions of earnings,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of liens,"

With recommendation that the same do pass.

J. C. MARSH,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 233, A.,

A bill to prevent illegal charges upon counties,

No. 267, A.,

A bill to amend sections 870e, 870f, 870g and 870i of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to villages,

No. 342, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of marshal in villages,

No. 508, A.,

A bill to separate certain villages from towns,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize cities having a population of 50,000 or more inhabitants to purchase or build and equip street railway, and operate, sell or lease the same and issue bonds to so purchase or build,

No. 174, A.,

A bill to provide for the drainage of certain overflowed lands,

No. 556, A.,

A bill relating to the re-assessment of special taxes in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 50 of the revised statutes,

No. 557, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors,

No. 567, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Langlade county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors, and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 149, S.,

A bill to amend section 1632, revised statutes, relating to appraisement of damages done by animals,

No. 290, S.,

A bill to prevent trusts, monopolies and illegal combinations,

No. 333, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 202 of laws of 1882, being section 2894a, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to entry of judgments and taxation of costs,

No. 340, S.,

A bill relating to admission or license to practice as attorneys of courts of record in this state and amendatory of sub-division 2 of section 2586 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 144 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1881, and chapter 63 of the laws of Wis. for 1885,

No. 222, S.,

A bill to legalize taxes levied under and pursuant to section 1, of chapter 224, of the laws of 1893,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors,

No. 241, S.,

A bill relating to security for costs, and amendatory of section 2943 of the revised statutes,

With amendments, with the recommendation that when so amended, the same be concurred in.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 156, S., are as follows:

By adding a new section to read as follows: Section 19. All acts or parts of acts conflicting with any of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Amend further by renumbering section 19 of the original bill, so as to have the same read section 20.

The proposed amendments to the substitute for bill No. 241, S., are as follows:

By inserting after the word "amended" in the second line of section 1 of the engrossed bill the words "by striking the word or before the word trustee in subdivision 2 of said section and," and further amend by striking out the words "for, or in the name of any" where they occur in the fourth line of section 1, also amend by striking out lines 5, 6 and 7 and the letters "er" in the eighth line of section 1 of the engrossed bill, further amend by striking out lines 21 and 22 of section 1 of the engrossed bill.

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities and amendatory of section 946 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, as amended by section 1, chapter 336, laws of 1895.

With amendments, with the recommendation that when so amended, the same do pass.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 562, A., are as follows: Amend by adding a new section to be known as section 2.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privileges or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back in the form of a substitute resolution, with the recommendation that said substitute do pass in the stead of the original resolution. Messrs. Flett, Wipperman, Harvey and Tucker dissenting.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

We, the undersigned members of the Judiciary committee, do hereby dissent from the majority report recommending a substitute for Joint Resolution No. 8, A., and beg leave to submit a minority report.

We are opposed to the adoption of the substitute for the following reasons:

It couples with the proposition to prohibit the acceptance of free transportation by members of the legislature the proposition to raise their salaries from \$500 to \$1,000.

The substitute applies only to the acceptance of free transportation by members of the legislature, whereas we believe that it should include all public officers.

Whereas, it is apparent that many citizens of Wisconsin are opposed to the system whereby members of the legislature and other public officers accept free transportation from railway corporations and as this is a government of the people we believe this question should be fairly submitted to them, that they may express their wishes at the polls untrammelled by any other proposition.

We therefore recommend the passage of joint resolution No. 8, A., as originally submitted.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
FRANK T. TUCKER,
W. H. FLETT,
L. C. HARVEY.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:
No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experiment station, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney-general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

With amendments, and recommend that, when so amended, that they do pass.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 242, A., is as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out the word "agents" where it appears in the second line of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the words "an agent" and by striking out all of the fifth line of the printed bill after the word "state."

And by striking out the words "given length of time" where they appear in the sixth line of the printed bill.

And by striking out the word "each" where it appears in the sixth line of the printed bill and inserting in lieu thereof the word "such."

Add after the word "day" where it appears in the sixth line of the printed bill the words "for each day of actual service."

The proposed amendment to bill No. 368, A., is as follows:

Amend section 2, by striking out the words "fifteen hundred" where they occur in the fourth line of section two, and insert in lieu thereof the words "five hundred."

The proposed amendments to bill No. 413, A., are as follows:

Amend the amendment by striking out the words and figures "two thousand, \$2,000" where they appear in the fourth and fifth lines and insert the words "one thousand, \$1,000," so that the said amendment will read as follows:

Amend section one by striking out the words and figures "five thousand, \$5,000" where they appear in the third line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one thousand, \$1,000."

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:
No. 493, A.,

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities having a population of one hundred thousand or more,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in the form of a substitute bill, and recommend its passage when so amended.

No. 5, S.,

A bill in relation to the labeling and marking of convict-made goods, wares and merchandise, manufactured in states requiring the labeling and marking of such goods, wares and merchandise,

No. 30, S.,

A bill to to provide a contingent fund for the prevention of cholera and other dangerous contagious diseases, and providing for an appropriation,

With the recommendation that they be concurred in.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

To amend the constitution, relating to the census,

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 559, A.,

A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence,

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary,

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable."

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon, and damages therefor,

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7, chapter 194, laws of 1879,

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict traffic in intoxicating liquors in section thirty-five, township seven north, of range twenty-one east,

Milwaukee county,* Wisconsin, lying out side of the boundaries of the grounds occupied by the National Home for disabled volunteer soldiers, located in said Milwaukee county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under examination, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 533, A.,

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

No. 200, A.,

A bill to confer and impose criminal jurisdiction upon the county court of La Crosse county,

No. 467, A.,

A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

No. 451, A.,

A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries, and amendatory of section 934 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 325, A.,

A bill relating to attachments in justice courts, and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

No. 75, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,

No. 455, A.,

A bill amendatory of section 1, chapter 425, laws of 1889, relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk,

No. 331, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 330, A.,

A bill relating to the terms of court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

No. 135, A.,

A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498, and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

No. 457, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities of the first and second classes, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museum,

No. 309, A., (re-enrolled)

A bill to repeal 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2217, 2218, 2219, and 2220 of the revised statutes as amended by subdivision 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in the assembly amendments, to

No. 27, S.,

A bill to amend paragraph four of section 163 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relative to the duties of the attorney general,

No. 264, S.,

A bill relating to evidence of ordinances, by-laws, resolutions and regulations of cities and villages, and amendatory of section 4137, of the revised statutes.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 49, S.,

Fixing April 14, 1897, as date for taking a recess of legislature until July 20, 1897,

Jt. Res. No. 52, S.,

Requesting return to senate by governor of No. 151, S.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 34, A.,

Granting to Mr. Hurd privilege to introduce a bill,

No. 307, A.,

A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 35, A.,

Permitting Mr. Wolfinger to introduce a bill.

And refuses to concur in assembly amendment, to
No. 117, S.,

A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to
injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
Jt. Res. No. 51, A.,

Directing superintendent of public property to assign a room
in state capitol as headquarters for Wisconsin department,
G. A. R.,

Jt. Res. No. 53, S.,

Authorizing Senator Mills to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in
cities of the first class.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended:

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176 of chapter 326 of the laws of Wis-
consin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into
classes, and providing for their incorporation and government,"
as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer,

No. 194, S.,

A bill to amend section 371 of the annotated statutes as
amended by chapter 136, of the laws of 1895, relating to the
state library, and making an appropriation therefor.

And has amended, and refused to order to a third reading,

No. 98, A.,

A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a
salaried one.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 49, S.,

Was laid over.

Jt. Res. No. 52, S.,

Was concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 51, S.,

Was laid over.

Jt. Res. No. 53, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 513, A.,

Was non-concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 194, S.,

To committee on Education.

No. 56, S.,

Was ordered to be placed on the calendar.

The assembly voted to adhere to its amendment to bill No. 117, S.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 35, S.,

Returned from the senate by request of the assembly, March 23,

Was taken up, and the rules being suspended,

Mr. Wheeler moved that the vote by which the assembly refused to order to a third reading

No. 35, S.,

Be reconsidered.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

Mr. Rosenkrans moved that the senate be requested to return to the assembly for further consideration,

No. 106, S.,

The motion was lost.

The speaker appointed as committee on Entertainment, April 1, Messrs. Hurd, Beach, Hughes, Lange and D. K. Smith.

On motion of Mr. Clack,

The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Cochran offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkraus, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Jensen, Plummer and Sether—3.

The journal of Wednesday was approved

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 1151, A.,

Asking for amendment of section 26 of substitute bill No. 57, S., signed by Valentine Raeth and others of the city of Milwaukee.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Klabunde:

Pet. No. 1152, A.,

Asking for amendment of section 26 of substitute bill No. 57, S., signed by H. C. Reed and ninety others of the city of Milwaukee.

To committee on Fish and Game.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1153, A.,

Protesting against passage of bills Nos. 410 and 411, A., relating to division of Marathon and Wood counties, signed by H. Wenmeister and forty-five others.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 1154, A.,

Favoring passage of the Hurd cigarette bill, signed by C. E. Betts, president of the Milwaukee Christian Endeavor Union, of the city of Milwaukee.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 1155, A.,

Urging passage of the Hurd cigarette bill, signed G. C. Harvey, state superintendent of the Good Citizen league.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 1156, A.,

Against passage of bill creating county of Rivers, signed by F. Mathias and one hundred and sixty-three others, of the towns of Colby, Hoard, Unity and vicinity.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Marsh:

Pet. No. 1157, A.,

Opposing passage of bill creating the county of Rivers, signed

by J. Mitmore and one hundred others, Mayville, Clark county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Department of Insurance.
MADISON, Wis., March 23d, 1897.

To the Legislature:

In compliance with joint resolution, No. 20, S., "Requiring the commissioner of insurance to report and account for fees and perquisites paid to or received by him," I hereby submit the following:

The explanation called for has been repeatedly given, and I welcome the opportunity to again place myself on record, that fees and perquisites in any public office are pernicious, and for the good of the public service should be abolished.

The fees of the commissioner of insurance which, under the law, go to him as perquisites, are:

1. Valuation fees.
2. Examination fees.

The valuation fees are provided for in section 1950, which says: "The commissioner of insurance shall calculate the existing value of all its outstanding policies, and the corporation shall pay annually to the commissioner of insurance, by way of compensation, one cent on every thousand dollars for the valuation of its policies issued on lives."

This law was adopted as section 17, chapter 59, laws of 1870, when the secretary of state was ex-officio the commissioner of insurance, and has since been the law governing the valuation of the policies of life insurance corporations. This valuation is necessary to determine the reserve liability of life insurance companies, and is similar to that of the law of every other state in the country except that in most all of the states sufficient help is provided to make these computations and the fees paid into the state treasury. The law properly applies only to the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee, and while the compensation of one cent per thousand dollars of insurance seems but a small fee, this one company has paid as such valuation fees since 1870 over forty thousand dollars as shown by the following table:

Year.	Amount of insurance.	Valuation fees, 1c per thousand.
1870	\$65,186,707 00	\$651 87
1871	62,425,187 00	624 25
1872	64,175,217 00	641 75
1873	64,692,003 00	646 92
1874	65,301,021 00	653 01
1875	67,124,215 00	671 24
1876	67,493,191 00	674 93
1877	64,416,847 00	644 17
1878	61,441,014 00	614 41
1879	61,948,888 00	619 49
1880	64,967,081 00	649 67
1881	74,503,740 00	745 04
1882	83,355,424 00	833 55
1883	92,083,093 00	920 83
1884	98,793,982 00	987 94
1885	110,710,861 00	1,107 11
1886	127,629,903 00	1,276 30
1887	147,615,323 00	1,476 15
1888	172,518,891 00	1,725 19
1889	202,405,923 00	2,024 06
1890	238,908,807 00	2,389 09
1891	275,674,753 00	2,756 75
1892	312,512,603 00	3,125 13
1893	325,152,947 00	3,251 53
1894	340,697,569 00	3,406 98
1895	364,259,235 00	3,642 59
1896	384,167,829 00	3,841 68
		\$40,601 63

At no time has the insurance department been furnished with the services of an actuary or other help competent to make this valuation and up to 1895 the records giving the policy schedules were in the hands of an actuary in Chicago, who performed this work for the department and received the compensation. The present commissioner was of the opinion that all work pertaining to the insurance department should be transacted in the office at Madison,—had the records returned to the department and made the policy valuations himself, engaging and paying such additional help as was necessary, and receiving by way of compensation the fee provided for by law.

The better plan is to amend the law paying this fee into the state treasury, and provide for the appointment of a competent actuary to perform this service at a fixed compensation, and I submit herewith a bill to carry out such purpose. The amount of these fees will increase from year to year and will more than pay for all the additional help asked for in this report. These fees for this year will amount to between four and five thousand dollars. As to this question the commissioner desires only to call attention to his report to the governor, in which, on page IX (Part II, Wis. Ins. Report, 1895), he makes the following recommendation: "As the valuation fee is an emolument of the commissioner there can be no serious objection in relieving the company of this tax."

The examination fees are, "The sum of five dollars per day during the time of examination and five cents per mile for traveling," when making examinations of companies as provided for in section 1968, R. S., and "The commissioner of insurance shall receive as a compensation for the services rendered under the provisions of this section his necessary traveling expenses, and ten dollars per diem, which sum shall be charged against the company," as provided by subdivision 3, of section 1, of chapter 200, laws of 1893.

Early in 1895 the commissioner of insurance called the attention of the governor to this matter of examination fee system prevailing in the department (page XII, Part I, Wis. Ins. Report 1895) as follows:

"Examinations by the department are necessary, and to the credit of the honestly conducted and well managed companies be it said, that they do not object to the most thorough and searching examination, but they do object, and justly so, to the expense incident to such examinations.

"Examinations by the department are made for the protection of the people and should be paid by the state; the commissioner or the examiners of this department should not be compelled to accept even actual expenses from the company examined. Several times the commissioner in making examinations has been compelled from the showing made by the company to refuse admission and license and in such cases he has paid his own expenses; he should not be called upon to do this, nor should he accept the fees, even though allowed him by law, when compelled to refuse admission to a company."

Again in 1896 (Part II, Wis. Ins. Report), pages X and XI, the commissioner expressed himself as follows:

"The law should so fix the expense of examinations as to leave no fees or perquisites for the commissioner or the examiners; the fees should be paid into the state treasury, and the expenses of examination paid out on warrants duly drawn. Fees and perquisites in any public office are demoralizing and against public policy, and offer only, too often, the incentive for unnecessary examinations, and prove rather a detriment than a benefit to the effectiveness of the department. Examinations, when made for the benefit of the people, should have in them nothing of gain to those making or conducting them."

No record of any kind has been kept of these fees nor does the law require that this be done; it may be well, however, to say, that whenever any of the clerks of the department have made examinations, the commissioner, during the past two years, owing to the small compensation received by the employes of this department, has permitted them to retain these examination fees, so that something like twenty-five hundred dollars has been donated by the commissioner in this manner. Some thirty companies and associations have been refused admission to transact business in this state during the past

two years, of which thirteen have since failed. Whenever the commissioner of insurance has made an examination and refused license, he has invariably also refused to except any fees for the examination, and where checks have been sent, returned the fees; so that were it possible for the present commissioner to report the examination fees received, and his expenditures, it is possible that he would be compelled to report a deficit on this account.

The commissioner can truthfully say, that the present fee system has been made use of by him to promote the efficiency of the department, that in examinations the purpose was to ascertain the true condition of the company examined, and it is a pleasure to report, that of all the companies admitted and doing business, not one has failed while licensed by the insurance department, and that if any just and valid claim has not been paid by any authorized company, it is due to the fact that the matter has not been presented to the commissioner. Yet, this system of perquisites or emoluments is all wrong and should be abolished.

Counting, however, the valuation fees, together with the examination fees possible to be received under the present law, the fees and perquisites of the commissioner can be made to equal six thousand dollars per year. Better service can be given the people, if provision be made to properly supervise the great interests committed to the department, and I present herewith another bill abolishing this examination fee system, limiting the cost of examinations to actual expenses, with the appointment of an examiner for the department.

DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS.

The fees and taxes received and paid to the state treasurer from January 7th, 1895, to March 23d, 1897, are:

For agent's certificates	\$53,526 00
For license fees	27,285 00
For filing charters	945 00
For filing annual statements	16,631 00
For taxes—insurance premiums	371,642 26
For service of summons	186 00
For commissioner's certificate and seal	207 60
Miscellaneous	395 49
Total	\$470,818 35

This four hundred and seventy thousand eight hundred and eighteen dollars and thirty-five cents represents the receipts of twenty-six and a half months, making the average receipts of the department during this period \$17,760.73 per month, all of which has been paid over and receipted for by the state treasurer, and exceeds by far the total receipts of any three full years in the history of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. FRICKE,

Commissioner of Insurance.

The report of the commissioner of insurance was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877 and chapter 238, laws of 1883,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 208, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

No. 352, A.,

A bill compelling railroad corporations to furnish free transportation to shippers of live stock.

No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 607, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to procure of the several transportation or railroad companies operating in the state of Wisconsin free transportation for state officials, members of the legislature and others, and requiring such transportation or railroad companies to furnish such free transportation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 17, A.,

A bill for the distribution of the blue book,

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state

in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse,

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature,

No. 397, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of the cost of constructing sewers in certain cases,

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for Langlade county,

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 408, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of the fourth class, incorporated by special act or under general laws, to change their names,

Have had the same under consideration, and report the same correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee appointed to "investigate the truth or falsity of certain intimations reflected upon the honor and integrity of certain members of the assembly," pursuant to resolution No. 23, A., respectfully report as follows: The resolution being general in its nature, and no specific charge having been made, your committee cited numerous parties before it with a view to ascertain the nature of the charge and the member whose integrity and honor is alleged to have been assailed.

The testimony thus taken shows that Dr. Gilbert E. Seaman, of Milwaukee, charged Charles N. Frink, a member of the assembly, for the fifth district, of the same place, with having offered to accept a bribe, but was unable to substantiate the charge with satisfactory proof.

The former stated under oath that on the 25th day of February, A. D. 1897, in the assembly chamber at Madison, Wis., Mr. Frink being then and there a member of the committee on Public Health and Sanitation, and which then had under consideration bill No. 235, A., commonly known as the medical bill, offered to use his influence to procure a favorable report thereon, by said committee, in consideration of the payment to him of \$100.00. This charge Mr. Frink, under oath, positively denied.

There being no material testimony at hand to corroborate the charge, your committee are unanimously of the opinion that the evidence is insufficient to justify further proceedings in the matter.

All testimony taken and papers used herein are herewith attached, marked Exhibit "A."

All of which is hereby respectfully submitted.

D. F. JONES,
S. W. PIERCE,
JOHN M. TRUE,
M. T. PARKER,
P. H. CASHIN,

Committee.

The report, together with the transcript of the testimony, was placed on file.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office.
MADISON, March 19, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, pursuant to joint resolution No. 32, A., bill No. 158, A., for further consideration.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

On motion of Mr. Fogo,

The bill was transmitted to the senate with the request that the vote by which it was concurred in be reconsidered,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate returns to assembly for re-consideration,

No. 339, S.,

A bill to provide better protection to state fish hatcheries, grounds, fish and equipment,

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 132, S.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

On motion of Mr. Dresser,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly, on March 23d, adopted his amendment to bill No. 339, S.

Mr. Dresser offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend bill No. 339, S., by striking out in the 6th line, section 3 of the enrolled bill, the words "exceeding one hundred," and insert in lieu thereof the words "less than five dollars," and by striking out the word "five" in line 7, section 3 of enrolled bill, and inserting the words "one hundred,"

Which was adopted, and

The bill was returned to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly non-concurred in the senate amendment to bill No. 513, A.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

The senate amendment to bill No. 513, A.,

Was concurred in,

No. 132, S.,

Was read a first and second time, and

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 49, S.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That on the fourteenth day of April, 1897, the legislature take a recess until the twentieth day of July, 1897, and that upon the reconvening of the legislature after such recess no business be con-

sidered except the receipt of and action upon the report of the special committee upon revision of the statutes.

Resolved further, That the services of all employes of the legislature be dispensed with, and their compensation cease on and after the fourteenth day of April, 1897, provided that on the coming in of the legislature after said recess, such employes as may be necessary may be re-employed,

Was non-concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 51, S.

Be it resolved by the senate of the state of Wisconsin, the assembly concurring, That the governor is hereby authorized and instructed to direct the superintendent of public property to assign a suitable room in the state capitol for the use of headquarters of the Department of Wisconsin Grand Army of the Republic,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor,

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construt and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by sub division 7, of chapter 194, laws of 1879,

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 2, S.,

A bill to authorize the Citizens' State Bank of Whitewater to reduce its capital stock from seventy-five thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars,

No. 38, S.,

A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties in circuits in which they do not usually preside,

No. 106, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 311, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters, granted by the legislature, and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 208, S.,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 143 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Prairie du Chien Bridge Company," approved March 10, 1855,

No. 266, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 50 of the laws of 1889, relating to the terms of court in the second judicial circuit,

No. 275, S.,

A bill to amend section 2432, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to circuit courts,

No. 363, S.,

A bill in relation to corporations and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes,

No. 366, S.,

A bill imposing a uniform charge to counties for the care and maintenance of boys committed to the Wisconsin Industrial School for Boys,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

Mr. W. A. Jones offered the following amendment, to

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Strike out the word "five," in line twenty of the printed bill, and substitute the word "twenty," and in the same line strike out the word "two," where it occurs, and substitute the word "fifteen,"

Which was adopted.

The bill was then read a third time and concurred in.

Mr. Davidson moved that the chairman of the committee on Judiciary be requested to report back to the assembly bill No. 55, A., without recommendation,

And that it be placed on the calendar this morning in its regular order,

Which motion was lost.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 5, S.,

A bill in relation to the labeling and marking of convict made goods, wares and merchandise manufactured in states requiring the labeling and marking of such goods, wares and merchandise,

No. 30, S.,

A bill to provide a contingent fund for the prevention of cholera and other dangerous contagious diseases, and provide for an appropriation,

No. 45, S.,

A bill to encourage the production of beet sugar in the state of Wisconsin, and to make an appropriation therefor,

No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer,

No. 149, S.,

A bill to amend section 1632, revised statutes, relating to appraisalment of damages done by animals,

No. 166, S.,

A bill to regulate the sale of vaccine virus, therapeutical serum, modified toxine, and similar products intended to be used in the prevention and treatment of contagious diseases,

No. 222, S.,

A bill to declare the true intent and meaning of chapter 224 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893,

No. 290, S.,

A bill to prevent trusts, monopolies and illegal combinations.

No. 333, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 202 of laws of 1882, being section 2894, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to entry of judgments and taxation of costs.

Were severally ordered to a third reading,

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,

With several amendments offered by Messrs. Wolfinger, Parker, Pratt, Wheeler, Klabunde and Rosenkrans,

Was recommitted to the committee on Fish and Game.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was then ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 241, S.,

A bill relating to security for costs, and amendatory of section 2943 of the revised statutes,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

No. 340, S.,

A bill relating to admission or license to practice as attorneys of courts of record in this state, and amendatory of sub-division 2, of section 2586, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 144, of the laws of Wisconsin of 1881, and chapter 63, of the laws of Wisconsin for 1885,

Was laid over until next Tuesday, in its regular order.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

The question being, shall

No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

Be ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The bill was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors, and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors,

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Lange,

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu,

Was laid over until next Monday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,

No. 258, A.,

Was taken up for consideration, and Mr. Mosher addressed the assembly.

Mr. Buttles moved that the remarks of Mr. Mosher upon bill 258, A.,

Be spread upon the journal,

Which motion was carried upon a division of the house.

The question being upon report of the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes recommending indefinite postponement of

No. 258 A.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 54; noes, 35; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Fogo, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Latta, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Risum, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, White, Wipperman, Wolter, and Mr. Speaker—54.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Burnham, Church, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hoyt, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Mosher, Niss, Polacheck, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Staples, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie and Yorkey—37.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Flett, Jensen, Merriman, McDonald, Olson, Plummer, Rosenkrans, Rutherford and Sether—11.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 121, S., was concurred in, and

The bill laid over until tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Cochran offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clark, Feige, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Mosher, Olson, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., and Wolfinger—14.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Clark, Feige, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Mosher, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, D. K. Smith and Wolfinger for this session.

To Mr. Merrill until next Wednesday.

To Messrs. Staples and Hogan after this session until next Wednesday.

To Mr. Wylie after this session until next Tuesday.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Jensen:

Pet. No. 1158, A.,

Memorial asking for passage of bill for recall of the Pere Marquette statue, signed by F. W. Rische and others, of the city of Waupaca.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Pet. No. 1159, A.,

Favoring passage of bill 580, A., signed by S. F. Dean and eighty-seven others.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Clack:

Pet. No. 1160, A.,

Asking passage of pure beer bill, known as 294, A., signed by citizens of Kaukauna, Outagamie county.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Ackermann:

Pet. No. 1161, A.,

Asking passage of bills 98, S., and 159, A., a bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of representatives at Washington a statue of General Lucius Fairchild, and making an appropriation therefor.

To committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Hoyt moved that when the assembly adjourns it be until next Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Which motion was carried.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Stanley:

Jt. Res. No. 37, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Thomas be allowed to introduce a bill to create the town of Strickland in Chippewa county.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Wheeler:

Jt. Res. No. 38, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Chris. Legreid be, and he is hereby authorized to introduce a bill providing that where any village has become separated from the town in which it is located by a vote of the town and village as provided by law, and there shall not remain time before any general or judicial election for the appointment of inspectors, and for fixing the place of said election, or for giving notice thereof, as required by chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, or otherwise, to comply with the law relating to holding such elections, said village shall vote at said election with the town from which it has so separated.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By the Commission authorized under the provisions of chapter 1, laws of 1897:

No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back,

With amendments, as follows:

By inserting after the word "commitment" in the first line of section 1 of the printed bill the words "state public school, State prison or" and after the word "dollars" in the third line of said section insert the words "and no more," further amend by striking out the word "natural" where it occurs in the same line of said section.

With the recommendation that, when so amended, the same do pass.

No. 18, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. A. Warren, Jr., as a justice of the peace within and for the county of Barron,

No. 177, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 725, of the revised statutes of the state, relating to the duties of sheriff,

No. 195, A.,

A bill to create a board of statutory revision,

No. 417, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by insurance companies,

No. 459, A.,

A bill to suppress unlawful combinations, and to prevent exactions of exorbitant rates of insurance,

No. 473, A.,

A bill to prevent combination and trusts from making arbitrary or "board rates" for fire insurance,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 61, S.,

A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to the punishment of sodomy,

No. 285, S.,

A bill authorizing and empowering corporations organized for the purpose of erecting bridges, to condemn lands,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

No. 304, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 215 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act in relation to appeals to the supreme court in certain cases,"

No. 316, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Chas. F. Krebs, a police justice and justice of the peace within and for the city of Jefferson, Jefferson county,

No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 344, A.,

A bill to amend section 905 of the revised statutes, relating to streets, sidewalks and gutters of villages, and providing for appeals,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,

Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend the title of bill No. 348, A., so as to read as follows:

"A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities of the first and second class and counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over."

Amend section one in line ten, commencing after the word "of," by striking out the word "twelve" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifteen."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred:

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 480, A.,

A bill to provide for the acquisition by the state of Wisconsin of the title to certain lands therein described, to appropriate the same to public use as an inter-state park, and to make an appropriation to pay the owners thereof such compensation as may be awarded them under the provisions of chapter 315 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, or of said act,

With amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that said substitute do pass.

No. 288, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of low water levels in inland lakes,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

WILLIAM GEO. LEWIS,
Chairman.

Nos. 390, A., and 480, A., were severally re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture,

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, an act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor,' "

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 175, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring additional land for a rifle range, and for other purposes, and to make an appropriation therefor,

No. 205, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin National Guard,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be concurred in.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res., No. 12, A.,

Joint resolution to amend the constitution relating to the census,

No. 17, A.,

A bill to provide for the distribution of the blue book and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse,

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature,

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases,

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for Langlade county,

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A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence,

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A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable,"

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation to whom was referred:

No. 537, A.,

A bill to regulate and control the sale of cigarettes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed, Messrs. Clason and McGrath dissenting.

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menomonee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

With the recommendation that the same be re-referred to the committee on Cities, Mr. Frink dissenting.

No. 182, S.,

A bill in aid of the public health and to prohibit the sale and use of contaminated ice for drinking, eating or cooling purposes, cut in any waters in the state of Wisconsin,

With amendments, and with the recommendation that they do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 182, S., are as follows:

Amend by striking out in section 1, fourth line, the words "or cooling" so that said section when so amended shall read:

Section 1. No person or persons, company or corporation, shall sell or offer for sale, or suffer or permit to be sold to any family, hotel, restaurant, saloon or individual, for drinking or eating purposes, any ice cut from any river, canal, bayou, basin or slip within the state of Wisconsin, without a permit from the local board of health of the town, village or city, in which such ice is cut, or from the state board of health.

Amend section 2 by striking out in the first line the word "knowingly" so that the same when so amended shall read as follows:

Section 2. No person shall use or cause to be used, or give or offer to others for use, for drinking, eating or cooling purposes, any ice cut in or taken from any river, canal, bayou, basin, or slip, within the limits of the state of Wisconsin, that has been condemned by the local board of health in the town, village or city in which such ice exists, or by the state board of health.

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

No. 628, A., was re-referred to the committee on cities.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe the mode of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Strike out of line 26, in section 2 of the printed bill, the word "four," where it occurs in said line, and insert in lieu thereof the word "three."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Fish and Game, to whom was referred substitute, for

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,

With accompanying amendments,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the following recommendations:

That the following amendments be not adopted:

By Mr. Wolfinger--By inserting the word "Cal met" in the 14th line of the printed substitute, paragraph 5, section 16, before the word "Green" in said paragraph 5, so that the said paragraph of said section 16, when so amended shall read as follows:

5. To use a dog or dogs to hunt any kind of game during the time the law permits the hunting of deer, provided that this sub-division shall not apply to the counties of Calumet, Green, Dane, Rock, Walworth, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Racine, Waukesha, Jefferson, Ozaukee, Fond du Lac, Columbia, Winnebago, Dodge, Washington, Iowa, Crawford, Grant and La Fayette.

By Mr. Pratt -- Amend section 28 of substitute for No. 57, S., by adding after the date 1901 at the end of the second line of said section the following: "provided, however, that quail may be hunted in the county of Pierce from October 1st until November 15th of each year under the restriction of section 27 of this act."

By Mr. Rosenkrans -- Amend substitute for No. 57, S., by adding after Sturgeon Bay in fifth line of section 8 "and lakes in Waukesha county."

And that the following amendments be adopted:

By Mr. Klabunde—Amend section 26 of substitute bill, being section 25 of the engrossed bill, by striking out the word "boat" where it occurs in line 3 in said section, and strike out all of line 5 in said section after the word "water," and strike out all of line 6 of said section up to the word "it."

The committee recommends that the above amendment be amended as follows:

By striking out the word "boat" where it occurs in line 3 (substitute bill) and adding after the word "device" in the 4th line "except a boat."

By Mr. Wheeler—Strike out section 20 of the engrossed bill and substitute the following, so that said section when so amended shall read as follows:

Section 20. It shall be lawful to take or catch any kind of fish except trout from the waters of the Pecatonica and Fever rivers in Iowa and La Fayette counties, the Sugar river in Green county and from Koshkonong Lake in Rock, Dane and Jefferson counties, with a hook and line at any time."

By Mr. Parker—Strike out all of section 12 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 12. It shall be unlawful and is prohibited for any person to set or use, or cause to be set or used, in the waters of Green Bay any gill, pound, fyke, seine, dip, crab or any other net from the first day of April to the succeeding first day of May in each year, except that a dip net or minnow seine may be used for the purpose of catching minnows for bait only. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the taking of white fish, lake trout or herring. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$25, nor more than \$100, and be imprisoned until such fine shall be paid not exceeding 90 days.

Strike out all of section 15 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 15. It is hereby declared unlawful for any person or persons to have in their possession any lake trout or white fish of less than 2 pounds round or undressed weight nor less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds dressed weight (except that lake trout may be had in possession and offered for sale, not to exceed 25 pounds at any one time); any wall-eyed pike of less than 1 pound round or undressed weight; or any catfish of less than 3 pounds round or $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds dressed weight. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 and be imprisoned until such fine be paid, not to exceed 90 days.

Amend by inserting after section number 15 of the engrossed bill a new section, to be known as section 15, a., to read as follows:

Section 15, a: It shall be unlawful, and is prohibited, to capture or take by means of nets of any kind, in any of the outlying waters of the state, any white fish or trout, between the 15th day of October and the 1st day of December next succeeding. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section, shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, and be imprisoned until such fine be paid, not exceeding 90 days.

Amend section 18 of the engrossed bill by striking out the word "fifteenth" where it occurs in the 10th line and insert in lieu thereof the word "first."

Amend same section by inserting the following after the word "April" where it occurs in line 11 of the engrossed bill, the words: "Provided, that gill nets of one and three-fourths inches, stretched measure, may be used for the purpose of catching fish to be used for bait only."

Strike out all of section 19 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 19. It shall be unlawful and is prohibited for any person to set or use in the waters of Green Bay and Lake Michigan between the 1st day of April and the succeeding 1st day of July any pound net whose pot (being that part of the net in which the fish are finally captured) on three sides and extending ten feet downward into the water is of a smaller mesh than 3 inches stretch measure; provided, however, that no bass shall be taken with nets in the waters of Green Bay at any time. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, and shall be imprisoned until such fine is paid, not exceeding ninety days.

The following amendment is submitted by the committee:

In section 34 of the engrossed bill, line 2, after the word "with," strike out the words "sporting implements," and insert the words "fire arms."

And the committee further recommend that when the said amendments are adopted the bill be concurred in.

L. B. DRESSER,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors, and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors,

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to practice of pharmacy,"

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bills were severally referred to the committee on Bills on their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 307, A.

A bill to authorize W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin, (Re-enrolled),

No. 65, A.,

A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities of the first class,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The joint special committee consisting of three members from the senate and four from the assembly appointed under Jt. Res. No. 22, S., with instructions to visit the Wisconsin veterans' home at Waupaca, and the Downer college property at Fox Lake, and to inquire into the present condition of the home and its present and future needs, and to make such recommendations relating to additional buildings at the Waupaca home, or as to the advisability of leaving the Downer college property for a branch home, as in their judgment would best provide for the veterans and be for the best interests of the state, respectfully submit the following report:

On March fourth we visited Fox Lake and made a thorough inspection of the Downer college building and grounds.

We find these buildings built of stone and pleasantly situated in the residence part of the village. It is the opinion of the committee that the buildings with slight alterations and certain repairs, and with additional provision for heating the main building with steam and for lighting the two buildings with electricity and by making other minor improvements necessary to secure proper sanitary conditions would be well adapted for the purpose of a home for soldiers and soldiers' wives and widows, the arrangement and plan of the rooms being very similar to the larger buildings at Waupaca. We estimate the cost of the necessary repairs and improvements as above suggested at from \$4,000 to \$4,500—\$1,000 of which the trustees of the property agree to pay.

On March 5th the committee visited the Wisconsin veterans' home at Waupaca. We find the buildings well adapted for the purpose intended and capable of accommodating about 400 people comfortably, without crowding, the number of inmates at present is about 375. The lack of room now is for married couples, the only vacant space being in the large dormitories for men in which from twenty to twenty-five can still be accommodated. We are informed by the commandant that he has on file the application of sixteen married couple selected as the most deserving from among all who have applied for admission recently, he estimated the number of destitute and worthy married people who will seek admission into the home during the next year at from twenty to twenty five-couples in addition to those now on file. After a careful and serious consideration of the whole subject and the relative merits of the two plans proposed for additional room the committee are of the opinion that while we consider the college well adapted for a temporary home, and that many arguments could be made for its acceptance, and while we believe that under a proper and judicious management the cost of maintenance there for 125 people would be little if any more than the costs at Waupaca, on account of the usual danger of increasing appropriations for any state institutions from year to year, and in view of the general aversion to starting new institutions at the present time, we recommend that the establishment of a branch home be deferred for the present, and would recommend the following appropriations for additional buildings, heating and light for the Waupaca home.

For new building.....	\$8,000
For extension of hospital	4,000
For heating and lighting new building and for additions to buildings previously erected	3,000
Total	<u>\$15,000</u>

The addition to the hospital is deemed an urgent necessity even should there be no other additional buildings for as these people become feeble with old age the different infirmities from which a majority are suffering obtain a stronger hold and the need of hospital treatment becomes more common. Believing that these veterans of the war whose present misfortunes are largely due to exposure, wounds and disease incurred in the defense of a cause which made it possible for this to be the grandest nation on earth, we recommend the same liberal treatment in the future that has been practiced by the people of this state in the past.

C. B. WELTON,
A. SOLLIDAY,
C. T. FISHER,

Committee on part of the Senate.

S. W. PIERCE,
T. J. McGRATH,
FRANK A. ANSON,
S. R. WEBSTER,

Committee on part of the Assembly.

The special committee appointed under resolution No. 31, A., for the arrangement of an entertainment, made partial report. Mr. Hurd asked to be relieved from service on the committee and at his request Mr. Wheeler was appointed in his place.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,

Messrs. Taylor and Pratt were added to the committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 339, S.,

A bill to provide better protection to state fish hatcheries, grounds, fish and equipment.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 54, S.,

Authorizing Senator Whelan to introduce a bill.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of foods and drugs,

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy Cemetery Association of the city of Elroy in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

And has concurred in,

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize Geo. W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named;" approved April 9th, 1885,

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, authorizing Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 441, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend and enlarge the charter of Nashotah House, created by an act of the territorial legislature approved February 4, 1847."

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 171, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 373, laws of 1895, entitled "An act relating to the compensation of committees of county boards within the state, and amendatory of section 668 of the revised statutes,"

No. 370, S.,

A bill to authorize Wm. J. Walsh, Fred Morey and W. A. Bradford, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across the Wisconsin river, in Vilas county.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
Jt. Res. No. 55, S.,
Authorizing Senator Thayer to introduce a bill.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 375, S.,

A bill to amend section 26 of chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by section 14 of chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, as amended by section 2 of chapter 70 of the laws of 1897, entitled "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 56, S.,
Requesting return to legislature by governor of bill No. 17, S.,

And has concurred in
Jt. Res. No. 37, A.,
Permitting Mr. Thomas to introduce a bill.

And requests the assembly to return to senate for further consideration,
No. 98, A.,

A bill to provide for making the office of register of deeds a salaried office.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 54, S.,
Jt. Res. No. 55, S.,
Jt. Res. No. 56, S.,
Were severally concurred in.

The senate amendment, to
No. 421, A.,
Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to
No. 213, A.,
Which is as follows:

Amend section 6 of bill No. 213, A., entitled, "A bill to provide against the adulteration of foods and drugs," by inserting after the word "drug" in the sixth line of section 6 the following words "in any quantities, which the state board of health shall deem harmful to the life or health of the public," so that it shall read: "No person by himself, his servant or agent, or as the servant or agent of any other person, shall sell or exchange, deliver, or have in his possession with the intent to sell or exchange or expose or offer for sale or exchange, any medicine known as patent or proprietary, or of which the formula is kept secret by the manufacturers, which contains morphine, strychnine, cocaine, or poisons or narcotic alkaloid or drug in any quantities which the state board of health shall deem harmful to the life or health of the public, unless the presence of the same be distinctly shown by a label upon the bottle or package and upon the outer wrapper thereon."

Was laid over.

Bill No. 98, A., was returned to the senate as requested.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 171, S.,

To committee on Town and County Organization.

No. 370, S.

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

The rules interfering with the immediate consideration of

No. 375, S.,

Were suspended by unanimous vote.

The bill was then read a third time in full and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The rules were suspended interfering with consideration of all bills on the calendar this morning which were not reported by the standing committees yesterday.

Mr. Clason offered an amendment, in the form of a substitute, to

No. 537, A.,

Reported by the committee on Public Health and Sanitation today.

Mr. Hoyt moved that all bills reported by the standing committees for indefinite postponement and appearing on the calendar today under order No. 13, be now taken up for consideration.

Which motion was carried.

Mr. Agen asked for separate action on
No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled,
"An act to establish a board of immigration,"

And moved that it be recommitted to the committee on
Claims,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Agen moved that the vote be reconsidered by which the
assembly refused to re-commit bill No. 218, A., to the committee
on Claims,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Lewis asked for separate action on
No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile
mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

And moved that it be re-committed to the committee on
Judiciary,

Which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,
No. 543, A.,

A bill authorizing cities of a certain class to grant water-
works franchises to any person, company or corporation, and
providing for the rental to be paid by such cities for the use
of water from such water works for protection against fire,

Was laidover until next Tuesday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed
on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339
of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,
No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes of Wis-
consin, entitled, "Of liens,"

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly refused to
re-commit bill No. 605, A., to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

No. 605, A.,

Was recommitted to the committee on Judiciary.

Unanimous consent being given,

Mr. Stone moved that the vote be reconsidered by which the assembly refused to recommit bill No. 218, A., to the committee on Claims.

Which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

No. 218, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Clack moved that

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

Be re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Thomas moved that the motion of Mr. Clack be laid upon the table.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

No. 282, A., was then re-committed to the committee on Judiciary,

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney-general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 6, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 41, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in Wisconsin, and to license physicians and surgeons, and punish persons violating the provisions of this act,

No. 67, A.,

A bill to authorize cities having a population of 50,000 or more inhabitants to purchase or build and equip street railway, and operate, sell or lease the same and issue bonds to so purchase or build,

No. 73, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 310 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets and the issue of improvement bonds therefor in cities of 20,000 inhabitants and upwards,"

No. 115, A.,

A bill to encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money for that purpose,

No. 174, A.,

A bill to provide for the drainage of certain overflowed lands,

No. 208, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

No. 233, A.,

A bill to prevent illegal charges upon counties,

No. 251, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1024 and 1024a, chapter 47, of the annotated statutes, relating to records of deaths and fees for certificates,

No. 352, A.,

A bill compelling railroad corporations to furnish free transportation to shippers of live stock,

No. 267, A.,

A bill to amend sections 870e, 870f, 870g and 870i of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to villages,

No. 284, A.,

A bill amending section 1, of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the state agricultural society,

No. 342, A.,

A bill relating to the appointment of marshal in villages,

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation,

No. 420, A.,

A bill in relation to patent medicine,

No. 508, A.,

A bill to separate certain villages from towns,

No. 523, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railway and to amend section 1803 of the annotated statutes,

No. 556, A.,

A bill relating to the re-assessment of special taxes in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 50 of the revised statutes,

No. 557, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors,

No. 567, A.,

A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county clerk of Langlade county,

No. 578, A.,

A bill to fix the maximum rate to be charged by persons, companies or corporations engaged in the express business for the transportation of articles by express in this state,

No. 621, A.,

A bill to provide for the disposition of unclaimed property,

No. 624, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982 of the revised statutes, relating to exemptions and earnings,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

No. 607, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to procure of the several transportation or railroad companies operating in the state of Wisconsin free transportation for state officials, members of the legislature and others, and requiring such transportation or railroad companies to furnish such free transportation,

No. 18, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of O. A. Warren, Jr., as a justice of the peace within and for the county of Barron,

No. 113, A.,

A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation,

No. 177, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision I of section 725, of the revised statutes of the state, relating to the duties of sheriff,

No. 195, A.,

A bill to create a board of statutory revision,

No. 288, A.,

A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of low water levels in inland lakes,

No. 344, A.,

A bill to amend section 905 of the revised statutes, relating to streets, sidewalks and gutters of villages, and providing for appeals,

No. 417, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by insurance companies

No. 459, A.,

A bill to suppress unlawful combinations, and to prevent exactions or exorbitant rates of insurance,

No. 473, A.,

A bill to prevent combinations and trusts from making arbitrary or "board rates" for fire insurance,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 364, S.,

A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898,

Was laid over and made a special order for next Tuesday at 8 o'clock p. m.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

No. 193, A.,

A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse,

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary,

No. 397, A.,

A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases,

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for Langlade county,

No. 559, A.,

A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence,

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the word "steam, electric or cable,"

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 17, A.,

A bill for the distribution of the blue book,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 73; noes, none; absent or not voting, 27.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klambunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler Wiperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—73.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Buffington, Burnham, Clark, Connors, Feige, Lange, Legried, Maertz, Merriman, Minch, Mosher, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Treat, White, Wolfinger, Woller and Yorkey—27.

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year, 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 70; noes, none; absent or not voting, 30.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius,

Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones, W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—70.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Buffington, Burnham, Church, Clark, Connors, Feige, Lange, Legried, Maertz, Merriman, McGrath, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Wolfinger, Woller and Mr. Speaker—30.

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 66; noes, none; absent or not voting, 34.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—66.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Burnham, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Feige, Frink, Gawin, Jones D. F., Lange, Maertz, Merriman, McGrath, Mosher, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Tucker, Wolfinger and Woller—34.

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

WHEREAS, Under the present system of biennial elections and biennial sessions of the legislature it is not possible to apportion the state into senate and assembly districts, based upon both the United States and state census, so as to cover two equal election periods; and,

WHEREAS, The state has reached a period in its development when the general future growth will be so moderate that it will not be greatly desirable to know the exact population every fifth year, and when the sectional growth will be so rare that it will no longer be necessary to enumerate so often in order to give the different portions of the state a reasonably fair and equitable representation; and,

WHEREAS, The state census entails too great an expense upon the people to be maintained without some great necessity; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section 3 of article IV of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. At their regular session after each enumeration made by the authority of the United States the legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate and assembly according to the number of inhabitants as ascertained by such census, exclusive of Indians not taxed and soldiers and officers of the United States army and navy,

The ayes and noes being required, the resolution was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 78; noes, none; absent or not voting, 22.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—78.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buffington, Burnham, Church, Clark, Connors, Feige, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Mosher, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Wolfinger and Wolter—22.

Mr. Staples moved that the committee on Judiciary be requested to report at once to the assembly bill No. 563, A., without recommendation.

On a division of the house,

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Harvey,
The vote was reconsidered by which the remarks of Mr.
Mosher on March 25 were ordered to be printed in the journal.

On motion of Mr. Buttles,
The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1897.
8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Miner offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clack, Connors, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Hogan, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Lange, Legried, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Peterson, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Thompson, Utt, White, Wipperman, Wolff and Wolfinger—25.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Connors, W. A. Jones, Legried, Maertz, McGrath, Schellenberg, Sieker, Stanley, Thompson, Utt, White, Wipperman, Wolff and Wolfinger, for this session.

The journal of Friday was approved.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in assembly at close of session, Friday, March 26, 1897.

Whole number of bills introduced in assembly, 641.

COMMITTEES.	Assembly bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Senate bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Re- ported.	Now in com- mittee.
Judiciary	205	45	221	29
Assessment and Collection of Taxes	66	6	60	12
Agriculture	22	1	21	2
Cities	55	12	58	9
Corporations	25	4	22	7
Dairy and Food	7	1	4	4
Education	24	13	28	9
Finance, Banks and Insurance	16	8	9	15
Federal Relations	10	1	4	7
Legislative Expenditures	1	2	2	1
Lumber and Mining	10	5	11	4
Manufactures	8	1	2	7
Military Affairs	6	2	8	
Public Lands	4		1	3
Public Health and Sanitation	23	6	18	11
Public Improvements		1		1
Privileges and Elections	18	6	14	10
Railroads	15		11	4
Roads and Bridges	20	2	17	5
State Affairs	56	14	65	5
Town and County Organization	51	5	48	8
Ways and Means	14		13	1
Claims	47		28	19
Charitable and Penal Institutions	21	1	14	8
Fish and Game	6	3	4	5
Printing	4	1	2	3
Totals	734	140	685	189
Bills re-referred	93	5		
Total number bills	641	135		

Recapitulation.

Assembly bills introduced and referred	641	....
Assembly bills re-referred	93	....
Senate bills received and referred	135	....
Senate bills re-referred	5	....
Bills reported	685	....
Bills now in committee	189	....
	<u>874</u>	<u>874</u>

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee	138	....
Indefinitely postponed	278	....
Passed assembly	175	....
Concurred in by senate	93	....
Non-concurred in by senate	9	....
Pending in senate	73	....
Bills pending—not ready for passage	50	....
	<u>641</u>	<u>175</u>

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Webster:

Pet. No. 1162, A.,

Petition of John Lind and thirty-one others, in favor of the bill for the manufacture of pure beer.

To committee on Dairy and Food.

By Mr. Wolter,

Pet. No. 1163, A.,

Petition of residents of Outagamie county, favoring the removal of the statute of Pere Marquette.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. True:

Pet. No. 1164, A.,

Remonstrance of J. P. Witwen and fifty-four others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Olson:

Pet. No. 1165, A.,

Remonstrance of John Henninger and fifteen others, against passage of bill No. 10, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 1166, A.,

Petition of three professors of the Northwestern Business College of Madison, asking for the passage of the Hurd cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Clason:

Pet. No. 1167, A.,

Petition of Miss Nellie Dubois and twenty-two citizens of Appleton, in favor of cigarette bill.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

By Mr. Goodell:

Pet. No. 1168, A.,

Petition of Ellis Reed and twenty-one others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 1169, A.,

Petition of Rev. John Haw and fifty-one others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Plummer:

Pet. No. 1170, A.,

Petition of A. E. Rockwell and twenty-eight others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1171, A.,

Petition of forty-five students of the university of Wisconsin, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1172, A.,

Petition of forty-eight students of the university of Wisconsin, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1173, A.,

Petition of forty-five students of the university of Wisconsin, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1174, A.,

Petition of T. A. Gulach and forty-seven others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1175, A.,

Petition of A. N. Herrick and twenty others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1176, A.,

Petition of R. A. Moore and forty-three others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1177, A.,

Petition of Prof. C. R. Barnes and ten others, for passage of bill No. 506, A.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Cashin:

Pet. No. 1178, A.,

Petition in favor of the bicycle baggage bill.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hall:

Pet. No. 1179, A.,

Petition of S. L. Wells and others, asking for an investigation of the manner in which connections are made by the Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Omaha railroads at Camp Douglas,

Was, on motion of Mr. Hall, referred to a special committee of three, to confer with the railroad commissioner.

The chair appointed as such committee, Messrs. Hall, Clason and Jensen.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

The vote was reconsidered by which No. 636, A., was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

No. 636, A.,

Was re-referred to the committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

The vote was re-considered by which, No. 345, A., was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 345, A.,

Was replaced upon the calendar for to-morrow in its regular order.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 140, A.,

A bill relating to prison labor,

No. 141, A.,

A bill providing for employment of convict labor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 429, A.,

A bill to authorize the governor and state board of control to parole life prisoners, and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin,

With an amendment in form of a substitute, and that it do pass when so amended.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MARCH 29, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following bills, originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 442, A.,

An act to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine,

No. 45, A.,

An act relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 58, A.,

An act to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers, and amendatory of section 711, of chapter 37, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of county officers,"

No. 156, A.,

An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 521, A.,

An act to amend section 1, of chapter 54, of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen,

No. 575, A.,

An act to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review,

No. 482, A.,

An act to change the boundary lines of the towns of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion in the county of Richland in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 269, A.,

An act to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh, of Winnebago county, Wisconsin,

No. 127, A.,

An act to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes, relating to liens of mechanics and others,

No. 132, A.,

An act to amend sub-section 3 of section 836, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to settlement with town treasurer,

No. 72, A.,

An act relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895,

No. 263, A.,

An act to amend section 1570, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218 of the laws of 1882, chapter 510 of the laws of 1889 and chapter 81 of the laws of 1895, relative to peddlers,

No. 437, A.,

An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 241, A.,

An act to secure cleanliness in milk dairies,

No. 122, A.,

An act to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations,

No. 121, A.,

An act to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils or petroleum and petroleum products for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 288 of the laws of 1881, and chapter 158 of the laws of 1883 and chapter 440 of the laws of 1889,

No. 570, A.,

An act to amend section 1010 of the annotated statutes, relating to statistics of farm products,

No. 450, A.,

An act to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board,

No. 75, A.,

An act to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 135, A.,

An act to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498, of the revised statutes, relating to the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon,

No. 309, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2217, 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes, as amended by sub-division 16 of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

No. 330, A.,

An act relating to terms of court in the eleventh judicial circuit,

No. 331, A.,

An act to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer,

No. 408, A.,

An act to authorize cities of the fourth class operating under general or special charter to change their names,

No. 451, A.,

An act to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries, and amendatory of section 934 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 455, A.,

An act amendatory of section 1, chapter 425, laws of 1889, relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk,

No. 457, A.,

An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities of the first and second classes, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museum,

No. 467, A.,

An act to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States,

No. 533, A.,

An act to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors,

No. 325, A.,

An act relating to attachments in justice courts and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes,

No. 200, A.,

An act to confer and impose criminal jurisdiction upon the county court of La Crosse county.

The following bills, originating in the assembly, were recalled by resolution, on the dates given:

No. 158, A.,

An act to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

Recalled March 19, 11:45 o'clock a. m.

No. 309, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments, to re-enact sections 2217, 2218, 2219 and 2220 of the revised statutes as amended by subdivision 16, of chapter 194, laws of 1879, and to legalize records of certain instruments,

Recalled March 20, at 10 o'clock a. m.

No. 138, A.,

An act to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 laws of 1880 relating to bonds of county treasurers,

Recalled March 20, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 161, S.,

A bill to provide for the payment of license by street railways and electric companies within the state of Wisconsin,

No. 234, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 1 of the laws of 1887, being an act to revise and amend chapter 43 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Odd Fellows' Mutual Life Insurance company, and the several acts amendatory thereof,"

No. 371, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Helge Larson, a justice of the peace, within and for the county of Vernon, elected by the voters of the town of Coon, Vernon county, Wisconsin.

And has concurred in

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective.

And has reconsidered the vote by which it concurred in

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,
No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.

And has concurred in
Jt. Res. No. 38, A.,
Permitting Mr. Legried to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to
No. 158, A.,
Was concurred in.
The senate amendment, to
No. 213, A., (laid over from Friday),
Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 161, S.,
To the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.
Nos. 234, S., and 371, S.,
To the committee on Judiciary.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 5, S.,

A bill in relation to the labeling and marking of convict made goods, wares and merchandise manufactured in states requiring the labeling and marking of such goods, wares and merchandise

No. 45, S.,

A bill to encourage the production of beet sugar in the state of Wisconsin and to make an appropriation therefor,

No. 149, S.,

A bill to amend section 1632, revised statutes, relating to appraisalment of damages done by animals,

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors

No. 166, S.,

A bill to regulate the sale of vaccine virus, therapeutical serum, modified toxines, and similar products intended to be used in the prevention and treatment of contagious diseases,

No. 222, S.,

A bill to declare the true intent and meaning of chapter 224 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893.

No. 241, S.,

A bill relating to security for costs, and amendatory of section 2943 of the revised statutes,

No. 290, S.,

A bill to prevent trusts, monopolies and illegal combinations,

No. 333, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 202 of laws of 1882, being section 2894, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to entry of judgments and taxation of costs,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer,

Was re-referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

No. 30, S.,

A bill to provide a contingent fund for the prevention of cholera and other dangerous contagious diseases, and provide for an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 64; noes, 5; absent or not voting, 31.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clason, Davidson, Eaton, Feige, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Woller, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—64.

Noes—Messrs. Cashin, Frink, Gawin, Minch and Polacheck—5.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Bechtel, Clack, Clark, Connors, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Goodell, Hogan, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Legried, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Peterson, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Thompson, Utt, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger and Wylie—31.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,

The following amendments were adopted:

Amend section 26 of substitute bill, being section 25 of the engrossed bill, by striking out the word "boat" where it occurs in line 3 in said section, and strike out all of line 5 in said section after the word "water," and strike out all of line 6 of said section up to the word "it."

The amendment offered by the committee on Fish and Game to the above amendment as follows:

By striking out the word "boat" where it occurs in line 3 of section 26 (substitute bill), and adding after the word "device" in the 4th line "except a boat."

Mr. Overbeck offered the following amendment to the same section:

Insert the words "sneak boat" after the word "any" in line 3 of section 26,

Which was adopted.

Strike out section 20 of the engrossed bill and substitute the following, so that said section when so amended shall read as follows:

"Section 20. It shall be lawful to take or catch any kind of fish except trout from the waters of the Pecatonica and Fever rivers in Iowa and La Fayette counties, the Sugar river in Green county and from Koshkonong Lake in Rock, Dane and Jefferson counties, with a hook and line at any time."

Adopted.

Strike out all of section 12 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 12. It shall be unlawful and is prohibited for any person to set or use, or cause to be set or used, in the waters of Green Bay any gill, pound, fyke, seine, dip, crab or any other net from the first day of April to the succeeding first day of May in each year, except that a dip net or minnow seine may be used for the purpose of catching minnows for bait only. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the taking of white fish, lake trout or herring. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$25, nor more than \$100, and be imprisoned until such fine shall be paid not exceeding 90 days.

Adopted.

Strike out all of section 15 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 15. It is hereby declared unlawful for any person or persons to have in their possession any lake trout

or white fish of less than 2 pounds round or undressed weight nor less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds dressed weight except that lake trout may be had in possession and offered for sale, not to exceed 25 pounds at any one time); any wall-eyed pike of less than 1 pound round or undressed weight; or any catfish of less than 3 pounds round or $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds dressed weight. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, and be imprisoned until such fine be paid, not to exceed 90 days.

Adopted.

Amend by inserting after section number 15 of the engrossed bill a new section, to be known as section 15, A., to read as follows:

Section 15, A. It shall be unlawful, and is prohibited, to capture or take by means of nets of any kind, in any of the outlying waters of the state, any white fish or trout, between the 15th day of October and the 1st day of December next succeeding. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section, shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, and be imprisoned until such fine be paid, not exceeding 90 days,

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Miner offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Büttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—85.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Edwards, Hogan, Jones W. A., Lange, Maertz, Merrill, Peterson, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Staples, Utt, Wolff, Wolfinger and Wylie—15.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Edwards, Hogan, W. A. Jones, Maertz, Merrill, Schellenberg, Sieker, Wolff, Wolfinger and Wylie for this session.

The journal of Monday was approved

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1180, A.,

Against passage of the division of Marathon county, signed by Jos. Chisak and one hundred and eleven others of town of Rietbrock.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1181, A.,

Against passage of the bill dividing Marathon county, signed by Geo. A. Korutzer and one hundred and forty-five others of the town of Halsey.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Thompson:

Pet. No. 1182, A.,

Petition against passage of the division of Marathon county, signed by J. Holton and thirty-one others, citizens of the aforesaid county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Sweeting:

Pet. No. 1183, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 268, A., signed by J. W. Schuetts and eighteen others, of the city of Manitowoc.

To committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. McDonald:

Pet. No. 1184, A.,

Protesting against the passage of the new insurance code, known as bill 10, S., signed by citizens of the cities of Boscobel, Mazomanie, Bloomer, Eau Claire, Boaz and Milwaukee.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Bullard:

Jt. Res. No. 39, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That H. C. Wipperman be and he is hereby authorized to introduce a bill entitled, "Relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor."

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred:

By Mr. Legried:

No. 642, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 341 of the laws of 1889, and relating to elections in villages.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 29, S.,

A bill to provide for a more correct record of births and deaths,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

JESSE A. CLASON,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report back a substitute for the substitute, with the recommendation that it do pass.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman pro tem.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 23, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 71, A.,

A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

No. 421, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy Cemetery Association, of the city of Elroy, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

No. 232, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, authorizing Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 144, A.,

A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named;" approved April 9, 1885,

No. 441, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

No. 532, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend and enlarge the charter of Nashotah House, erected by an act of the territorial legislature approved February 4, 1847."

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 68, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

No. 77, S.,

A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the State Board of Fish Commissioners,

No. 200, S.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 291, laws of 1880, entitled "An act relating to the equalization of assessments,"

No. 352, S.,

A bill to authorize Kirby Thomas, N. B. Arnold, and A. R. Mills, their associates or assigns, to maintain dam or dams and other improvements in the Middle river, for handling logs and other purposes.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 98, A.,

A bill to provide for making the office of register of deeds a salaried office,

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the fifteenth judicial circuit.

And has concurred in

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery Association, of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, to sell and convey real estate,

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

Nos. 68, S., and 200, S.,

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes,

No. 352, S.,

To committee on Lumber and Mining.

No. 77, S.,

Was placed on the calendar in its regular order.

The senate amendments, to

Nos. 98, 402, 403 and 519, A.,

Were severally concurred in.

The senate amendments to the titles of

Nos. 402 and 403, A.,

Were concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game.

The following amendments were adopted:

Amend section 18 of the engrossed bill by striking out the word "fifteenth" where it occurs in the 10th line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "first."

Amend same section by inserting after the word "April" where it occurs in line 11 of the engrossed bill, the words: "Provided, that gill nets of one and three-fourths inches, stretched measure, may be used for the purpose of catching fish to be used for bait only."

Strike all of section 19 of the engrossed bill and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 19. It shall be unlawful and is prohibited for any person to set or use in the waters of Green Bay and Lake Michigan between the 1st day of April and the succeeding 1st day of July any pound net whose pot (being that part of the net in which the fish are finally captured) on three sides and extending ten feet downward into the water is of a smaller mesh than 3 inches stretch measure; provided, however, that no bass shall be taken with nets in the waters of Green Bay at any time. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, and shall be imprisoned until such fine is paid, not exceeding ninety days.

In section 34 of the engrossed bill, line 3, after the word "with," strike out the words "sporting implements," and insert the words "fire arms."

Add after the words Sturgeon Bay in eighth line of section 8 of the engrossed bill the words "and lakes in Waukesha county."

Amend section 31 of the printed substitute, being section 30 of the engrossed bill, by adding after the word "bird" in the eleventh line, of section 30, the word "English."

Amend section 32 of the printed substitute, being section 31 of the engrossed bill, in the third line of section 31, after the word "and," insert the word "English," and after the word "and" in the fifth line insert the word "English."

The bill, as amended,

Was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Order No. 13 was at this time taken up.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to special assessments for the paving or repaving of any street or avenue with a permanent paving having concrete foundation and bordering on a public park in cities having a population of 100,000 or over,

Was adopted.

Mr. Anson offered the following amendment to the title:

Substitute for the original title the following:

A bill relating to the improvement and payment for improvements on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first class,

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Railroads, to

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Corporations, to

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Agriculture, to
No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experimental station and making an appropriation therefor,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to
No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc,"

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 543, A.,

A bill authorizing cities of a certain class to grant water-works franchises to any persons, company or corporation, and providing for the rental to be paid by such cities for the use of water from such water works for protection against fire,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 493, A.,

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities having a population of one hundred thousand or more,

Was adopted.

Mr. Yorkey offered the following amendment to the title of bill No. 493, A.,

Strike out the words "one hundred thousand or more" and insert in lieu thereof the words "cities of the first class," so that when amended it shall read as follows:

"To control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities of the first class,"

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered to committee on Judiciary to

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue

of bonds by municipalities and amendatory of section 946 as amended by section 1, chapter 336, laws of 1895,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, "An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877, and chapter 238, laws of 1883,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended.

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute offered by the committee on Corporations, to

No. 596, A..

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846, etc.,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment to the bill and to the title to the bill, offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor,'"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,
Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Cashin,

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu,
Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

Was laid over until Thursday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes for transportation, franking privileges, or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates,

Was made a special order of business for tomorrow at 8 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 629, A.,

A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898,

Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 140, A.,

A bill relating to prison labor,

No. 141, A.,
A bill providing for employment of convict labor,
Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Davidson offered an amendment in form of a substitute,
to

No. 129, A.,
A bill to define express companies and to prescribe the mode
of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon,

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

The bill, with substitute,

Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize Wisconsin state board of agriculture,
Was adopted.

Mr. Hall offered the following amendment to the bill,

Which was adopted.

In section 4, line 1 of the printed bill strike out the words
'shall be' where they occur, and insert same after the word
"Wisconsin," also strike out the word "ex-officio" and insert
same after the word "treasurer."

On motion of Mr. Harvey,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m. to-night.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom
was referred:

No. 171, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 373, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act

relating to the compensation of committees[†] of county boards within the state, and amendatory of section 668 of the revised statutes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 639, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 84, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 14, A.,

For appointment of a commission to investigate and report on a system of land registration and provide for publication,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 180, S.,

A bill to appropriate certain money,

With recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred:

No. 435, A.,

A bill regulating the employment of labor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

With an amendment, and when so amended, recommend that the bill do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

In section 1 strike out lines 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the printed bill and insert in place thereof the following:

"All requests and communications intended for said board, may be addressed to the governor, at Madison, who shall at once refer the same to said board for their action."

J. C. MARSH,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities, and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors,

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commissioner,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to the practice of pharmacy,"

With amendments and verbal corrections.

The amendments, proposed by the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to No. 223, A.,

As follows, were adopted:

Amend section 1 of the engrossed bill by inserting after the word "by" in the seventh line the words "inserting after the the word 'poisons' in the twenty-sixth line the words 'except Paris green put up in packages labelled 'Paris green, poison,' in his store or place of business in towns, cities or villages having less than five hundred inhabitants; also by."

Amend further by striking out of the first line of section 1 the words "the act" and inserting instead thereof the words "chapter 227 of the laws."

Amend further by striking out of the eighth and ninth lines of section 1 of the engrossed bill the words "at the end of the thirty-second" and inserting instead thereof the words "in the fifty-ninth."

Amend further by striking out in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth lines of section 1 of the engrossed bill the words "and here sold in the original package."

Amend further by striking out in the thirty-first line of same section the words "as to" and inserting instead thereof the words "that said section when so amended shall."

Amend further by striking out in the fifty-third line of said section the word "fifty" and inserting in place thereof the word "forty."

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

With the recommendation that it be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

No. 373, A., was so referred.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with amendments, and when so amended with the recommendation that it do pass.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend line 18 of the printed bill by striking out the words "out of the state treasury" and insert in lieu thereof the words "by each of the schools so inspected."

Amend section five by striking out the words "Wisconsin National Guard," where it occurs in the fifth line of the printed bill, and substitute in lieu thereof the words "unorganized militia of the state." Insert after the words "provided for," in the eighth line of the printed bill, the words "or the right to wear the uniform of the Wisconsin National Guard," so that said section, when so amended, shall read as follows:

Section 5. In all cases where a satisfactory report is made by such inspecting officer, of any college or school, the students thereof, residents of this state, graduating during the year within which such report is made, and receiving full diploma or certificate from such college or school, shall be entitled to the honorary rank of second lieutenant in the unorganized militia of the state; provided, however, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to give such graduates any right, position or authority, nor any claim upon, or emolument from the state, other than the honorary rank herein provided for, or the right to wear the uniform of the Wisconsin national guard, unless such graduate thereafter

become a regularly appointed commissioned and acting officer in the Wisconsin national guard, according to, and under the provisions of chapter 34 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society,

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they do pass.

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315 of laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages.

With amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend that when so amended that it do pass.

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

With an amendment, and recommend that when so amended that it do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 376, A., is as follows:

Amend section one of the printed bill by striking out the words "attorney general is" where they occur in the first line of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "governor, attorney general and state librarian are." Amend by striking out the word "fifteen" where it occurs in the sixth line of said section one and insert in lieu thereof the word "eight."

Amend section two by inserting after the word "general" where it occurs in the second line of said section in the printed bill the words "and state librarian."

Amend section three by striking out the word "the" where it first occurs in the fourth line of the printed section and inserting in lieu thereof the word "this."

Amend section four by inserting after the word "general" where it occurs in the second line of said section in the printed bill the words "and state librarian."

Add a new section as follows:

Section 5. The laws contained in such compilation shall take effect and be enforced on the same date as shall be provided by

law for the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin for the year of 1897 to take effect and be in force.

Amend sections five and six of the printed bill by renumbering them six and seven respectively.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 469, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed, Mr. Frink dissenting.

No. 370, A.,

A bill to repeal certain acts relating to and regulating the practice of pharmacy, relating to and regulating the practice of dentistry, and relating to and regulating the practice of law.

With the recommendation that the same be returned to Mr. Webster.

JESSE A. CLASON,
Chairman.

So ordered as to bill No. 370, A.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom referred

No. 568, A.,

A bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions,

No. 614, A.,

A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1825 of the revised statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 12, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 197 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 13, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, northeasterly from the eastern line of section 21, to the northerly line of section 15, in the 18th ward of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 14, S.,

A bill to confer upon municipal corporations the power to condemn riparian rights for public purposes,

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

With amendments as follows:

Amend bill No. 615, A., by striking out the words "and all other" in the 27th line of the printed bill, and also the word "property" in the 28th line of the printed bill, and inserting after the word appurtenances" in the 28th line of the printed bill the words "and all other property."

Amend further by inserting after the word "act" where the same occurs in the forty-third line of the printed bill, the following:

"And all conditions and agreements upon which the stocks of any such corporation have been or are issued, relating to voting power, dividends and trustees between different classes of stocks or otherwise,"

No. 181, S.,

A bill relating to malicious civil or criminal action against members of the Wisconsin National Guard,

With amendments as follows:

By striking out the word "shall" where it occurs in the 4th line of section 1 of the printed bill and inserting in place thereof the words "may in the discretion of the governor," and amend further by striking out the words "the attorney general" where they occur in the same line and insert in place thereof the words "counsel appointed therefor by the governor."

No. 185, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of penalties and forfeitures under the provisions of special charters in cities having 100,000 or more inhabitants and for the violation of ordinances, rules, regulations or by-laws of such city,

With amendments as follows:

In section 1 of the engrossed bill strike out all of line 7 after the word "state," all of line 8 and 9 and line 10, to and including the word "census." Amend further by striking out the words "not exceeding, however," where they occur in the 21st line of section 1 of the engrossed bill, and inserting in place thereof the words "but in such cases the court shall limit the time of imprisonment, which in no case, however, shall exceed."

No. 294, S.,

A bill relating to the disposition of fines in certain cases,

With amendment as follows:

Amend by striking out the figures "1891" where they occur in the 4th line of section 1 of the engrossed bill and insert in place thereof the figures "1881,"

And with the recommendation that when so amended, the same be severally concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement and payment for improvements on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first class,

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experiment station, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An

act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor,"

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities, and amendatory of section 946, as amended by section 1, chapter 336, laws of 1895,

No. 596, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846, etc."

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Nos. 61, A., 332, A., 348, A., 368, A., 338, A., 406, A., 423, A., 474, A., 562, A., 596, A., were referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 57, S.,

Authorizing Senator Whelan to introduce a bill,

Jt. Res. No. 58, S.,

To authorize Senator Burke to introduce a bill relative to drains and ditches.

And has concurred in

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

No. 425, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 57, S., and Jt. Res. No. 58, S.,
Were severally concurred in.
No. 315, A., with the senate amendment,
Was, on motion of Mr. Hall,
Laid over until to-morrow.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 61, S.,
A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to
the punishment of sodomy,
Mr. Marsh offered the following amendment:
Amend section one by adding the words "or snake" after the
word "bird" in the third line of said section.
On motion of Mr. Tucker,
The bill, with amendment,
Was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

The amendment offered by the committee on Public Health
and Sanitation, to

No. 182, S.,
A bill in aid of the public health and to prohibit the sale and
use of contaminated ice for drinking, eating or cooling pur-
poses, cut in any waters in the state of Wisconsin,
Was adopted.
The bill, as amended,
Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Agen,
No. 285, S.,
A bill authorizing and empowering corporations organized
for the purpose of erecting bridges, to condemn lands,
Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

Mr. Anson offered the following amendment, to
No. 331, S.,
A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric rail-
way companies to acquire lands by right of eminent domain,
Add at the end of section 2 the following: "Provided that the
provisions of this act shall not apply to any lands, streets,
alleys, viaducts, parks or boulevards, in any incorporated city
in this state,"
Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 175, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring additional land for a rifle range, and for other purposes, and to make an appropriation therefor,

No. 205, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 292, laws of 1892, as amended by chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

No. 304, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 215 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act in relation to appeals to the supreme court in certain cases,"

No. 316, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Chas. F. Krebs, a police justice and justice of the peace within and for the city of Jefferson, Jefferson county,

No. 340, S.,

A bill relating to admission or license to practice as attorneys of courts of record in this state, and amendatory of sub-division 2 of section 2586 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 144 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1881, and chapter 63 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1885,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

No. 537, A.,

Was made a special order of business for next Thursday at 8 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 345, A.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The special committee on amusement reported that they had decided to give a legislative ball in the university of Wisconsin gymnasium on Thursday evening. April 7.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,
The report of the special committee of investigation appointed pursuant, to
Res. No. 23, A.,
Was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,
The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

SPECIAL ORDER.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

No. 364, S.,
A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898,
Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Stone,
The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 364, S., was
ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Stone,
No. 364, S.,
Was re-committed to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Miner offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-
man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Over-
beck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Ruther-
ford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thomp-
son, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr.
Speaker—95.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Eaton, Olson, Sether, Utt and
Wolfinger—5.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Wolfinger for this session.

To Mr. Welch after this session indefinitely.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 1185, A.,

Petition favoring passage of bill No. 580, A., known as the Lewis election bill, signed by L. J. Smith and others, voters of the town of Pardeeville.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Wylie:

Pet. No. 1186, A.,

Asking for the return of the Pere Marquette statute, signed by E. B. Young and eighty others, citizens of Columbia county.

To committee on Federal Relations.

By Mr. Minch:

Pet. No. 1187, A.,

Remonstrance against passage of bill 10, S., signed by W. H. Gleason and forty-five others of Mazomanie, Dane county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1188, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 10, S., signed by John W. Hudson and forty-one others of Dane county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1189, A.,

For passage of bill 506, A., signed by H. C. Ainsworth and seventy others of Dane county.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hindes:

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of five (5) be appointed, consisting of two (2) members from the senate and three (3) from the assembly, to be known as the "committee on the University."

The term of this committee shall be for the years 1897 and 1898; said committee shall elect from their number a president and secretary, and shall conduct the business of their meetings in a formal manner and keep a record, and, in the absence of the secretary or president or both, officers pro tem shall be elected; said committee shall meet not less frequent than once in three (3) months, and oftener if it shall be by the president

thereof deemed necessary. The meetings of this committee shall generally be held at the state university.

The duties of this committee shall be to act upon all bills, resolutions or matters before the legislature pertaining to the university, which may be referred to it; to examine into the management and condition of the university, the method of keeping and the correctness of the accounts of receipts and disbursements of funds; the character and extent of the instruction given by each professor, instructor or assistant; the nature of the investigations being carried on; the requirements of labor; the compensation of all persons receiving pay from the board of regents; the condition of the buildings and property; the number of students in attendance at the university; and shall, not later than December first, prior to the expiration of its term, cause to be printed by the state printer, through the office of the secretary of state, one thousand (1,000) copies of a detailed report of its proceedings and findings, for distribution to and by the members of the senate and assembly for the session of 1899.

Resolved, That all necessary books, stationery and supplies for the use of the committee, to be furnished by the superintendent of public property upon requisition of its president.

There is hereby appropriated out of the funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to meet the purposes of this resolution.

Was laid over.

By Mr. Polacheck:

Jt. Res. No. 41, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Niss be authorized to introduce a bill relating to department stores.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Ray:

Jt. Res. No. 42, A.,

WHEREAS, this body has learned with sorrow of the death of one of Wisconsin's foremost citizens, Hon. Angus Cameron, who, in his long, eventful and honorable career, has filled the high official positions of speaker of the assembly, state senator and United States senator, with honor to himself and to the state; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That in his death the state of Wisconsin has lost a man whose public and private life was above reproach and one whose political sagacity, ripe judgment and high sense of honor and devotion to the cause of right and justice made of him one of the state's most distinguished citizens and statesmen.

Resolved, further, That these resolutions be enrolled and a copy thereof, signed by the proper officials, be forwarded to his

sorrowing wife, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy in her bereavement.

Was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 61, S.,

A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to the punishment of sodomy,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back without the proposed amendment, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 364, S.,

A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend it be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Strike out the words "not to exceed" where they appear in the second line of the printed bill.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 642, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 341 of the laws of 1889, and relating to elections in villages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bill:

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877 and chapter 238, laws of 1883.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above bill was referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 158, A.,

A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 123, A.,

A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

No. 253, A.,

A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective,

No. 519, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 224, of the laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE,

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate requests the assembly to return to senate for further consideration

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 39, A.,

To allow Mr. Wipperman to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in assembly amendments, to

No. 156, S.,

A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors,

No. 241, S.,

A bill relating to security for costs, and amendatory of section 2943 of the revised statutes.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Nos. 402, A., and 403, A.,

Were, by request, returned to the senate for further consideration.

The senate amendment, to

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to practice of pharmacy,"

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors, and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Legried,
The rules were suspended, and bill
No. 642, A.,
Was read a third time in full and passed.

No. 242, A.,
A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy
and food commission,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a
third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 67; noes, 19; absent or not
voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buf-
fington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason,
Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett,
Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd,
Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta,
Legried, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Mor-
gan, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley,
Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stan-
ley, Staples, Sweeting, Thomas, Treat, True, Webster, Welch,
Wheeler, White, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Borchsenius, Cashin, Frink,
Gawin, Krauss, Lange, Lewis, Maertz, Minch, Plummer, Rein-
noldt, Risum, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Taylor, Thompson,
Tucker and Wolff—19.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Eaton, Hindes, Hogan,
Mosher, Olson, Parker, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sieker, Stone,
Utt, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Yorkey—14.

No. 57, S.,
A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation
and sale of fish and game,

No. 304, S.,
A bill to amend chapter 215 of the laws of 1895, entitled,
"An act in relation to appeals to the supreme court in certain
cases,"

No. 316, S.,
A bill to legalize the acts of Chas. F. Krebs, a police justice
and justice of the peace within and for the city of Jefferson,
Jefferson county,

No. 340, S.,
A bill relating to admission or license to practice as attorneys
of courts of record in this state and amendatory of sub-division
2 of section 2586 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as
amended by chapter 144 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1881, and
chapter 63 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1885,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 182, S.,

A bill in aid of the public health and to prohibit the sale and use of contaminated ice for drinking, eating or cooling purposes, cut in any waters in the state of Wisconsin,

Was non-concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

Was laid over until next Friday in its regular order.

No. 175, S.,

A bill to provide for acquiring additional land for a rifle range, and for other purposes, and to make an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, none; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gavin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Eaton, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Latta, Merriman, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Sether, Stone, Sweeting, Utt, Wipperman, Wolff and Wolfinger—17.

No. 205, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin National Guard,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 85; noes, none; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Euttles, Cashin,

Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—85.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buffington, Clason, Eaton, Feige, Frink, Latta, Morgan, Olson, Sether, Smith D. K., Sweeting, Tucker, Utt, Wipperman and Wolfinger—15.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

The vote was reconsidered by which the amendment, to
No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

Was adopted, and also the vote by which the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Bullard offered an amendment to the amendment, as follows:

Strike out the word "lands," where it occurs in the amendment,

Which was adopted.

The amendment, as amended,

Was adopted.

No. 331, S., as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The rules were suspended by unanimous consent, and

No. 331, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 364, S.,

Was put upon its passage.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, as follows:

Strike out the words "not to exceed" where they appear in the second line of the printed bill,

Was adopted.

The ayes and noes being required,

No. 364, S., as amended,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 84; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones, W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—84.

Noes—Messrs. Gawin, Lange and Schellenberg—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Burnham, Eaton, Flagg, Goodell, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Mosher, Olson, Peterson, Sether, Staples, Utt and Wolfinger—13.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

Order No. 13 was at this time taken up.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,

No. 129, A., with amendment in favor of a substitute,

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Latta moved that No. 129, A., be re-committed to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

The ayes and noes being demanded, the motion of Mr. Latta was lost.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 14; noes, 74; absent or not voting, 12.

Ayes—Messrs. Bullard, Burnham, Feige, Froehlich, Hindes, Hogan, Lange, Latta, Marsh, Morgan, Schellenberg, Wheeler, Woller and Wolter—14.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wylie and Yorkey—74

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Eaton, Goodell, Merriman, Mosher, Olson, Sether, Sweeting, Utt, Wolfinger and Mr. Speaker—12.

The amendment in the form of a substitute, to

No. 129, A.,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

~~Amended~~ No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society,

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

No. 639, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 84, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways,"

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Military Affairs, to

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 429, A.,

A bill to authorize the governor and state board of control to parole life prisoners and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Manufactures, to
No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled,
"An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and concili-
ation for the settlement of differences between employers and
their employes,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amending section 1823 of
the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Ray offered an amendment, to the substitute for the sub-
stitute, for

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking,

As follows:

Amend fourth clause of section two of chapter two on page
five of substitute for substitute for 623, A., by inserting after
the words "shares of" the following words: "Not less than
fifty nor more than" so that said clause, when so amended, will
read as follows: "The amount of capital stock which shall be
divided into shares of not less than fifty, nor more than one
hundred dollars each,"

Which was adopted.

The substitute for the substitute bill No. 623, A., as amended,

Was adopted.

The substitute bill 623, A., as amended,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Jt. Res. No. 14, A.,

For the appointment of a commission to investigate and re-
port on a system of land registration, and provide for publica-
tion of report of the same,

No. 568, A.,

A bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions,

No. 435, A.,

A bill regulating the employment of labor,

No. 469, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 614, A.,

A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1835 of the revised statutes,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 629, A.,

A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Schellenberg moved that the assembly take a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Lange offered an amendment, to

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu,

As follows:

Amend section one of the printed bill by striking out the word "said" in the first line of the printed bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "the," and by inserting the words "of Lake de Neveu, in Fond du Lac county," after the word "waters," in the second line of said section of said printed bill, so that when so amended said section shall read as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful to fish for, catch, take or kill any fish in the waters of Lake de Neveu in Fond du Lac county, by the use of any trap, spear, net, or other device, except fishing from a boat, with hook and line or angling,

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lange,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 276, A., as amended,

Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 58, S.,

A bill for an act to regulate the nominations of candidates,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 580, A.,

A bill to require primary elections for the purpose of nominating candidates for office, and to prescribe the method thereof and the means therefor,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 12 and 13 of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to securing secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

With amendment by way of substitute, with the recommendation that the same, as so amended, do pass.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,

Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 166, A.,

A bill to amend section 3315 of chapter 143 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of liens," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1885, chapter 535 of the laws of 1887, chapter 333 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 321 of the laws of 1891,

No. 178, A.,

A bill to amend section 3315 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, and acts amendatory thereto, relating to liens of contractors,

No. 310, A.,

A bill to provide for the semi-annual payment of taxes, and to amend various sections of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof,

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes,"

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 132, S.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns,

No. 371, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Helge Larson, a justice of the peace, within and for the county of Vernon, elected by the voters of the town of Coon, Vernon county, Wisconsin,

With the recommendation that the same be severally concurred in.

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 349, S.,

A bill to abolish and repeal the civil jurisdiction of the county court of Dodge county,

With the recommendation that the same be not concurred in.

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

No. 609, A.,

A bill relating to the release of options and the discharge of the same,

With amendments in the form of substitute bills, with the recommendation that, when so amended, the same do pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 410, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory therein described from the counties of Clark and Marathon, and to attach the same to the county of Wood,.

No. 411, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Wood and to create the county of Rivers,

No. 517, A.,

A bill to create the county of Rusk and to change the boundaries of the counties of Price and Chippewa,

No. 571, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the counties of Chippewa and Sawyer, and to create the county of Rusk,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 261, S.,

A bill relating to school boards and common and high schools in cities of the first class,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:

No. 370, S.,

A bill to authorize Wm. J. Walsh, Fred. Morey, and W. A. Bradford, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across the Wisconsin river in Vilas county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 172, A.,

A bill to designate what material shall be used in public buildings in the state,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Fish and Game, to whom was referred:
No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer,

With accompanying amendments,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that when so amended that the same be concurred in,

Senators Timme and Green dissenting.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend section 2 by inserting after the word "state" and before the word "the" in the twenty-ninth line of said section the following, "hereinafter designated as counties frequented by deer."

Amend section 5 by striking out the words "the county where he resides" where they occur in the fourth line of said section and insert in lieu thereof the following, "one of the counties hereinafter designated as counties frequented by deer."

Amend section 7 by striking out all that part of said section after the word "act" in the 8th line thereof.

Amend section 10 by striking out all of said section down to and including the word "and," in the sixth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "every resident of this state desiring to procure the license provided for in this act, shall present or mail to the county clerk of one of the counties hereinafter designated as counties frequented by deer, a written application setting forth the fact that he is a resident of this state and containing a personal description of himself and also his place of residence and post office address, which said application shall be subscribed and sworn to before some person authorized under the laws of this state to administer oaths. It shall be the duty of the county clerks mentioned in this section to file all such applications with the records in their respective offices and shall thereupon issue to all such applicants as have complied with the provisions of section 5 of this act, a license for the pursuing, hunting and capturing of deer under the laws of this state and shall deliver such license to such applicant or mail the same to his address, until otherwise directed by said applicant.

L. B. DRESSER,
Chairman.

The committee on Printing, to whom was referred:

No. 183, S.,

A bill to regulate the printing of the reports of the State Board of Health,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 405, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 300 of the general laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, and to provide for the distribution of copies of bills to county clerks and the filing and preservation the of same.

With the recommendation that it be referred to the joint committee on Claims.

W. M. FOGO,
Chairman.

No. 405, A., so referred.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 641, A.,

A bill to maintain bridges in certain cases,

No. 320, A.,

A bill to amend section 1323 of chapter 52 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 214 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for better protection of bridges,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 16, A.,

A bill for the improvement of the public roads,

With an amendment, and when so amended, with recommendation that the same do pass.

Messrs. Davidson and McDonald dissenting.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend bill No. 16, A.,

No. 16, A., is hereby amended in section one commencing in the ninth line thereof, by striking out the words "one mill for each dollar of the assessed valuation of the county," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand dollars."

J. O. DAVIDSON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with an amendment, and recommend that, when so amended, that it do pass.

Also,

Petitions No. 1132, A., No. 1133, A., No. 1134, A.,

With the recommendation that they be referred to the proper committee having in charge the bill to which they appertain.

The petitions were so referred.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 345, A., is as follows:

Amend by striking out section 8 entirely and number section 9 so that it shall read section 8; and amend title by striking out the words "and providing for their compensation."

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 477, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

With amendments, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend bill No. 297, S.,

Amend section 1, by inserting after the name "Dexter," where it appears in the eleventh line of the engrossed bill, the names "A. P. Golby, William Smith, George Yule, Jared Thompson, Jr."

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 161, S.,

A bill to provide for the payment of license by street railways and electric companies within the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in,

Mr. Hall dissenting.

No. 68, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

With the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies,

With an amendment, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend No. 222, A., by striking out the word "three" where it occurs in section 1 and insert in lieu thereof the word "two," by striking out the word "two" where it occurs in the same section and insert in lieu thereof the word "one," and by striking out the word "one" where it occurs in the same section and insert in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five cents."

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menomonee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred:
No. 44, A.,

A bill to authorize the Manitowoc Building supply company, a Wisconsin corporation, its successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dock and pier extending into Lake Michigan,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed,

Mr. Sweeting dissenting.

No. 159, A.,

A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington a statue of General Lucius Fairchild,

No. 197, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington a statue of General Jeremiah M. Rusk,

With amendment in the form of one substitute for both bills, with the recommendation that the substitute bill do pass,

Mr. Sweeting dissenting.

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, Door county,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

O. L. ROSENKRANS,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement and payment for improvements, on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first class.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities of the first and second classes, and in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants and over,

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase and distribution of beet seed by the agricultural experiment station, in order to ascertain the districts in Wisconsin particularly adapted to the production of sugar from the beet root,

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises in villages and cities,

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, an act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe, in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877, and chapter 238, laws of 1883,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities, and amendatory of section 946 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 366 of the laws of 1895,

No. 596, A.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank-road company, approved February 2d, 1846, etc.,"

As in all respects correct.

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, an act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 258 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor,' "

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The verbal corrections were adopted.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair,

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties,

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture,

No. 493, A.,

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc."

No. 543, A.,

A bill relating to use and ownership of water works and lighting works in cities and villages.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Nos. 353, A., 359, A., 378, A., 493, A., 536, A., and 543 A., were referred to committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 81, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 632, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

No. 513, A.,

A bill to amend section 176 of chapter 326 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893,

No. 98, A.,

A bill to provide for making the office of register of deeds a salaried office,

No. 631, A.,

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery Association, of La Crosse county, Wis., to sell and convey real estate,

No. 213, A.,

A bill to provide against the adulteration of foods and drugs, Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 364, S.,

A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898.

Has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 59, S.,

Permitting Senator Mayer to introduce a bill.

Has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 41, A.,

That Mr. Niss be authorized to introduce a bill relating to department stores.

Has non-concurred in

No. 80, A.,

A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys,

No. 447, A.,

A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7, chapter 194, laws of 1879,

No. 559, A.,

A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence.

Has concurred in

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan, and maintain a boom in said waters.

Has reconsidered the vote by which it concurred in

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,
No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of assembly, in
No. 235, S.,

A bill to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the state historical library building, and extending the tax levy therefor,

No. 301, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 148, of the laws of 1895, making an appropriation to the State Horticultural Society.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 59, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 402, A.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 403, A.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 235, S.,

To committee on Education.

No. 301, S.,

To committee on Agriculture.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Niss:

No. 643, A.,

A bill relating to trade, department stores and commerce in the state of Wisconsin.

To committee on Corporations.

Mr. Stone moved that when the assembly adjourns, it be until 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow,
Which was carried.

SPECIAL ORDER.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Jt. Res. No 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, for transportation, franking privileges or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates,

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Judiciary,

Was not adopted.

Mr. Ackermann moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which being seconded,

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriam, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polachek, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Sether and Staples.

Absent without leave—Messrs. Feige and Woller.

The sergeant at arms was ordered to find and bring in the absentees.

Mr. Hall moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

Ayes.—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Connors, David-

son, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Frink, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hughes, Jones W. A., Lange, Legried, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Thomas, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—45.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Bullard, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Eaton, Flagg, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, McGrath, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter and Yorkey—51.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Feige, Sether, Staples and Woller—4.

Absent with leave, 2; without leave, 2.

Mr. Merriman moved that the assembly do now adjourn.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

Ayes—Mr. Thomas—1.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—94.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Feige, Sether, Staples and Woller—5.

Mr. Ray moved that further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Hall, Harvey, Jones W. A., Lange, Legried, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Ray, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Thomas, Tucker, Welch, White, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt,

Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, McGrath, Morgan, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter and Yorkey—59.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Feige, Sether, Staples and Woller—5.

The sergeant-at-arms having reported the members who were absent without leave to be now present, business was resumed.

Mr. Frink moved that the democratic members be excused from voting,

Which motion was lost.

The question being upon the engrossment and third reading of Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

The ayes and noes being required, the joint resolution was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 66; noes, 32; absent or not voting, 2.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hughes, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—66.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Connors, Feige, Goodell, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, McGrath, Mosher, Parker, Polacheck, Polley, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Taylor, Welch, Wheeler, Wolfinger, Woller and Yorkey—32.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Sether and Staples—2.

Mr. W. A. Jones moved that the rules be suspended, and Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Be put upon its passage.

The ayes and noes being demanded, and sixty-six affirmative votes being required, the assembly refused to suspend the rules.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 65; noes, 33; absent or not voting, 2.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hughes, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson,

Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—65.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Connors, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, McGrath, Mosher, Parker, Polacheck, Polley, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Taylor, Welch, Wheeler and Yorkey—33.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Sether and Staples—2.

Mr. Peterson moved that the assembly do now adjourn.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Miner offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polachek, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Sether and Welch—3.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. D. K. Smith:

Pet. No. 1190, A.,

Protest against passage of Fricke insurance bill known as No. 10, S., signed by citizens of Waukesha county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 1191, A.,

Remonstrance against the passage of fraternal assessment features of bill No. 10. S., known as the insurance code, signed by F. W. McInnany and three hundred and eighty-eight others, of Racine county.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 1192, A.,

Urging the passage of bill 580, A., signed by P. C. Wilder and forty-two others of Evansville.

To committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 1193, A.,

Favoring passage of bill No. 268, A., signed by M. Zerbes and forty-three others of Racine county.

To committee on Judiciary.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Jt. Res. No. 43, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Taylor be permitted to introduce a bill, authorizing the county of Marinette to construct and maintain a bridge across the Menomonie river in Marinette county.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Hall:

Jt. Res. No. 44, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That regular sessions be held on Friday and Saturday next; and that when the legislature adjourns on Saturday next it be until Wednesday next at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Clason:

Res. No. 32, A.,

WHEREAS, A memorial to congress was introduced into this house on February 9, 1897, and referred to the committee on Federal Relations, requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to this state and placed in the rooms of the state historical society, in order that the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk may be placed in the old hall of the house of representatives, and

WHEREAS Said committee has failed to report, and the wording of the resolution places the odium of said measure upon the

loyal men who fought side by side for the preservation of the union. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the committee on Federal Relations is hereby instructed to immediately return to this house said memorial No. 3, A., for immediate action thereon.

Mr. Ray offered an amendment to Res. No. 32, A., as follows:

Substitute for the words "instructed to immediately return to this house" the words "requested to report this evening, with or without recommendation,"

Which was adopted.

Res. No. 32, A., as amended,

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Wipperman:

No. 644, A.,

A bill relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor.

To committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 331, S.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire lands by right of eminent domain.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 42, A.,

Expressing the sense of the legislature upon the death of ex-United States Senator Angus Cameron,

No. 642, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 341 of the laws of 1889, and relating to elections in villages,

And has concurred in all assembly amendments, to

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,

With exception of section designated as "a new section to be known as section 15a" in amendment offered by Mr. Parker, which it has non-concurred in.

And has concurred in
Jt. Res. No. 44, A.,
Relating to adjournment.

Mr. Parker moved that the assembly adhere to its amendment to bill No. 57, S., designated as "a new section to be known as section 15a," and which was non-concurred in by the senate,

Which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The chair appointed as a committee of conference on amendment to bill No. 57, S., Messrs. Thomas, Sieker and Clack.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. No. Res. 40, A.,
Relating to the university of Wisconsin,
Was referred to the committee on Education.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement and payment for improvements on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first class,

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877 and chapter 238, laws of 1883,

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities, and amendatory of section 946, as amended by section 1, chapter 336, laws of 1895,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

Was, on a division of the house,

Re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 596, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846. etc."

Was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hoyt offered an amendment to the title of bill No. 596, A., as follows:

A bill to define and establish the rights and powers of cities and villages over toll roads within their limits,

Which was adopted.

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 86; noes, none; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith

J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Cashin, Dresser, Feige, Gawin, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Latta, Rosenkrans, Sether, Utt, Welch, and Wheeler—14.

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experimental station and making an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 84; noes, none; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—84.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Cashin, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Feige, Hurd, Latta, Parker, Rosenkrans, Sether, Smith D. K., Taylor, Utt, Welch and Wheeler—16.

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor,'"

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan,

Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones, W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—Messrs. Davidson and Edwards—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buttles, Cashin, Feige, Fogo, Goodell, Hurd, Lange, Niss, Parker, Rosenkrans, Sether, Smith D. K., Taylor, Welch and Wheeler—15.

On motion of Mr. Anson,
Order No. 13 was taken up at this time.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment offered by the committee on Roads and Bridges, to

No. 16, A.,

A bill for the improvement of the public roads,

Was not adopted.

The question being on ordering to engrossment and third reading, bill No. 16, A.,

The ayes and noes being demanded, the bill was refused engrossment and third reading.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 10; noes, 76; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Borchsenius, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Polacheck and Woller—10.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Beach, Bullard, Burnham, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—76.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Buffington, Buttles, Cashin, Feige, Frink, Hurd, Lewis, Merriman, Rosenkrans, Sether, Taylor, Welch and Wheeler—14.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Rutherford,

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315 of laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,

Was, on a division of the house,

Laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

Was laid upon the table.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, Door county,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 44, A.,

A bill to authorize the Manitowoc Building supply company, a Wisconsin corporation, its successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dock and pier extending into Lake Michigan,

No. 166, A.,

A bill to amend section 3315 of chapter 143 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of liens," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1885, chapter 535 of the laws of 1887, chapter 333 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 321 of the laws of 1891,

No. 172, A.,

A bill to designate what material shall be used in public buildings in the state,

No. 178, A.,

A bill to amend section 3315 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, and acts amendatory thereto, relating to liens of contractors,

No. 310, A.,

A bill to provide for the semi-annual payment of taxes, and to amend various sections of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof,

No. 320, A.,

A bill to amend section 1323 of chapter 52 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 214 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for better protection of bridges,"

No. 410, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory therein described from the counties of Clark and Marathon, and to attach the same to the county of Wood,

No. 411, A.,

A bill to divide the county of Wood and to create the county of Rivers,

No. 477, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections,

No. 517, A.,

A bill to create the county of Rusk and to change the boundaries of the counties of Price and Chippewa,

No. 563, A.,

A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns,

No. 571, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the counties of Chippewa and Sawyer, and to create the county of Rusk,

No. 641, A.,

A bill to maintain bridges in certain cases,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Lewis moved that bill No. 58, S., be made a special order of business for to-morrow at 11:45 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Lange offered the following amendment to bill No. 58, S.:

Amend section 1 of No. 58, S., by inserting the words "providing the common councils of said cities of the second class and third class by resolution so adopt the provisions of this act for the municipal elections of 1898," after the words "of the first, second and third class, whether operating under general or special charter" of said substitute, so that when so amended said section shall read as follows:

Section 1. Caucuses and meetings of political parties held for the purpose of nominating candidates or choosing delegates to assemble in convention to nominate any person for any public office to be voted for at any municipal elections held in cities of the first, second and third class, whether operating under general or special charter, providing the common councils of said cities of the second and third class by resolution so adopt the provisions of this act for the municipal elections of 1898, and to all general, municipal, town and village elections in counties having a population of two hundred thousand or more, and all meetings for nominating candidates or choosing delegates to conventions to nominate candidates, to be voted for at such elections, commonly called caucuses, unless held upon the provisions of this act, are hereby declared to be unlawful, and no political party shall have its political ticket placed upon the official ballot or canvassed at such election, unless the nomination of its candidates are made in accordance with the provisions of this act. The meeting of electors in any town, village or ward, held for the purpose of nominating candidates or choosing delegates as aforesaid, are hereby defined as caucuses and declared to be such, and any person who shall vote or offer to vote at any such caucus, unless at the time, he shall be a qualified elector of the caucus district for which said caucus is held, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished in the manner hereinafter provided.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

No. 58, S.,

A bill for an act to regulate the nominations of candidates,

With amendment offered by Mr. Lange, and

No. 580, A.,

A bill to require primary elections for the purpose of nominating candidates for office, and to prescribe the method thereof and the means therefor,

Were made a special order of business for next Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 12, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 197 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 13, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1893 entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, northeasterly from the eastern line of section 21, to the northerly line of section 15, in the 18th ward of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 14, S.,

A bill to confer upon municipal corporations the power to condemn riparian rights for public purposes,

No. 29, S.,

A bill to provide for a more correct record of births and deaths,

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

No. 61, S.

A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to the punishment of sodomy,

No. 68, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

No. 132, S.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns,

No. 183, S.,

A bill to regulate the printing of the reports of the State Board of Health,

No. 261, S.

A bill to provide for the management of the public schools in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred thousand or more,

No. 285, S.,

A bill authorizing and empowering corporations organized for the purpose of erecting bridges, to condemn lands,

No. 370, S.,

A bill to authorize William J. Walsh, Fred. Morey, and W. A. Bradford, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across the Wisconsin river in Vilas county,

No. 371, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Helge Larson, a justice of the peace, within and for the county of Vernon, elected by the voters of the town of Coon, Vernon county, Wisconsin,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

No. 77, S.,

A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the state board of fish commissioners,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Thomas offered an amendment to

No. 171, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 373, laws of 1895, entitled "An act relating to the compensation of committees of county boards within the state, and amendatory of section 668 of the revised statutes,"

As follows:

Amend section one of substitute bill by adding after the word "year" where it appears at the end of said section the words, "for services on any one committee,"

Which was adopted.

No. 171, S., as amended,

Was then ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 181, S.,

A bill relating to malicious civil or criminal action against members of the Wisconsin national guard,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 185, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of penalties and forfeitures under the provisions of special charters in cities having 100,000 or more inhabitants and for the violation of ordinances, rules, regulations or by-laws of such city,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 294, S.,

A bill relating to the disposition of fines in certain cases,
Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to
No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern
boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,
Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 180, S.,

A bill to apportion certain money,

No. 349, S.,

A bill to abolish and repeal the civil jurisdiction of the county
court of Dodge county,

Were severally refused a third reading.

Mr. Buckstaff offered an amendment, to

No. 161, S.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of street railways,

As follows:

Amend by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Section 1. Chapter 363, of the laws of 1895, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Fish and Game, to
No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Utt,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock to-night.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

Mr. Anson in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 311, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 226 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to enable cities to cause streets to be sprinkled at the expense of abutting owners,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 77, S.,

A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the State Board of Fish Commissioners,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed, Senator McGillivray and Assemblymen White and Thompson dissenting.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 243, A.,

A bill to impose a penalty upon the owners of taxable personal property for refusing to make return thereof,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that the substitute bill do pass.

No. 506, A.,

A bill to prevent the granting of any license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within a half mile of the state university, normal schools or high schools,

With an amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that the substitute bill do pass. Mr. Schellenberg dissenting.

No. 200, S.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 291, laws of 1880, entitled, "An act relating to the equalization of assessments,"

With an amendment, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended, Mr. Edwards dissenting.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend No. 200, S., by striking out the words "that the official stenographer of the circuit court receive" where they appear in the first section and insert in lieu thereof the words "as is allowed the commissioners provided for in this act."

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895,

With the following recommendation: Your committee would recommend, that bill No. 439, A., be referred to the Judiciary committee to first determine the constitutionality of the bill before your committee considers it upon its merits, Mr. Edwards dissenting.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

No. 439, A., was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary in accordance with recommendation of the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

The committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred:

No. 194, A.,

A bill relating to the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemption of debts, etc.,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in form of a substitute, and recommend that the substitute do pass.

No. 466, A.,

A bill to amend section 3329 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 72 of the laws of 1895, relating to liens upon logs and timber,

No. 238, A.,

A bill relating to liens on logs and lumber, and to provide for a lien for supplies and materials,

No. 535, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings.

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

With an amendment, and with the recommendation that when so amended it be concurred in.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amendments to No. 252, S.,

Amend section 2 by striking out all of the 4th line after the words "constructed of cement or of tiles laid in cement with an additional flooring" and by adding the word "hard" after the word "of" in the 6th line, and by striking out after the word "and" in the 9th line the following, "if requested by such said authorities," and by striking out the word "three" in the 11th line after the word "in," and in placing in lieu thereof the word "six."

Amend section 4 by striking out all that part of said section after the word "conducted" in the fifth line.

J. C. MARSH,

Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend that it do pass when so amended.

No. 142, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of viaducts across gullies, running streams or railroad tracks by counties in this state, and for the issuing of county bonds therefor,

And proposed substitute therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed

me to report the same back to the assembly without recommendation.

No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof,

With the recommendation that the same do pass without amendment except verbal and clerical corrections, and with the recommendation such corrections be made by the engrossing clerk under the supervision of H. P. Burdick, one of the commissioners who prepared said bill.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Dairy and Food, to whom was referred:

No. 240, A.,

A bill relating to the manufacturing of pure beer,

No. 294, A.,

A bill for the protection of the public health, and to prevent the adulteration in the manufacture and sale of beer,

No. 505, A.,

A bill relating to the manufacture of beer,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that these severall bills be indefinitely postponed.

The committee in recommending for indefinite postponement bills Nos. 240, 294, and 505, A., beg leave to state that in its opinion the vital points aimed at in these several bills are fully met and covered in sections 2 and 3 of bill 213, A., providing against the adulteration of food and drugs.

WM. H. FROEHLICH,
Chairman.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 301, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 148, of the laws of 1895, making an appropriation to the State Historical Society,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 360, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Oshkosh fair association in Winnebago county, a sum of money therein named,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Relating to the university,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back, with amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 110, A.,

A bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners, prescribe their qualifications, fix their salaries, and for the appointment of a secretary for such board and to fix his salary,

No. 111, A.,

A bill to regulate railway corporations and other common carriers in this state and to define the powers and duties of the board of railway commissioners in relation to the same, and to prevent and punish extortion and unjust discriminations in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state, and to prescribe the mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to repeal all laws in force in direct conflict with the provisions of this act,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred:
Memorial to Congress, No. 3, A.,

Requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to the state and placed in the rooms of the state historical society,

in order that the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk may be placed in the old hall of the house of representatives,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back without recommendation. .

O. L. ROSENKRANS,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privilege or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates,

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies,

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, of Wisconsin relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state,

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay in Door county,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the term of circuit court of Calumet county,

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society,

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

No. 429, A.,

A bill to authorize the governor and state board of control to parole life prisoners and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

No. 639, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 84 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways."

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

The above named bills were referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 403, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

No. 402, A.,

A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 425, A.,

A bill to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit,

No. 315, A.,

A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 296, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

No. 321, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of a dock or pier, in the waters of Lake Michigan, and maintain a boom in said waters,

No. 642, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 341 of the laws of 1889, and relating to elections in villages,

Jt. Res. No. 42, A.,

Expressing the sense of the legislature upon the death of
ex-U. S. Senator Angus Cameron,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom
was referred:

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize Adam L. Humebaugh, John H. Harrison
and Charles O. Law, their associates or assigns, to pick up and
secure lost logs, timber, lumber and other floatables, from cer-
tain streams and waters in Douglas and Bayfield counties and
bordering thereon, and to charge tolls therefor, and enforce the
same by lien,

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture,

No. 493, A.,

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for
official printing in cities of the first class,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An
act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc," for the
western municipal district for the county of Waukesha,

No. 543, A.,

A bill relating to use and ownership of water works and
lighting works by cities and villages,

Have had the same under examination. and have instructed
me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1 and 2 of chapter 194, of the laws
of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county
agricultural societies to the state fair,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed
me to report the same back with amendment to title as follows:

Amend title to bill No. 353, A., by striking out the words and
figures "1 and 2," and inserting instead thereof the words and
figures "2 and 3."

The title was so amended.

Mr. Sweeting moved that

Memorial to Congress No. 3, A.,

Be laid upon the table.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the
affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 80; noes, none; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Dresser, Feige, Klambunde, Lange, McDonald, Mosher, Peterson, Polacheck, Rutherford, Sether, Smith J. J., Staples, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, Wiperman and Woller—18.

Mr. Taylor moved that the vote be reconsidered by which Memorial to Congress No. 3, A., was laid upon the table.

Mr. Stone moved that the motion of Mr. Taylor to reconsider, Be laid upon the table,
Which motion was carried.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Ray:

Jt. Res. No. 45, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate be appointed to attend the funeral of the late ex-Senator Cameron at La Crosse on Friday, April 2, at 2:30 p. m.

Was adopted.

The chair appointed on the part of the assembly, as members of the committee to attend the funeral of ex-Senator Cameron, Messrs. Ray, Pierce and D. F. Jones.

Mr. Krauss moved that bill No. 365, A., and introduced by himself, be returned to him temporarily for amendment,
Which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Flett the vote by which bill No. 161, S., was to-day ordered to a third reading, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Flett the vote by which the amendment offered by Mr. Buckstaff to bill No. 161, S., was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 161, S., with amendment as offered today by Mr. Buckstaff,

Was re-referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has appointed Senator Green on the part of the senate as a member of the committee under,

Jt. Res. No. 50, S.,

For the appointment of a committee to act in conjunction with the State Fish Commission and State Fish and Game Warden, to secure uniform legislation on the subject of fish and game for the states of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and Illinois,

And has appointed Senators Youmans, Austin and Woodworth on part of the senate as a committee of conference on assembly amendment, to

No. 117, S.,

A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice,

And returns bill to assembly.

Has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 42, S.,

Authorizing the commissioners appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to use the unexpended balance in erecting a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 97, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 440 of the laws of 1891, relating to the re-organization of corporations organized under the power of section 1771 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

Has non-concurred in

No. 361, A.,

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given,

No. 462, A.,

A bill to amend section 1131, of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes.

Has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin.

And has concurred in

No. 17, A.,

A bill to provide for the distribution of the blue book, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool-selling and the receiving and transmitting of debts,

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of the registrars of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates,

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to remunerate him for expenses, stenographer's

fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature,

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways,

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for the county of Langlade,

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions,

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 62, S.,

For appointment of a committee to attend funeral of Hon. Angus Cameron.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 66, S.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294,

No. 67, S.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee," approved March 1, 1851, as amended by private and local laws of 1853, chapter 257, private and local laws of 1855, chapter 63, and laws of 1876, chapter 209.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 62, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment to No. 66, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment to No. 67, S.,

Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 66, S., as amended,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 67, S., as amended,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 42, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

No. 97, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

The senate amendment to No. 278, A.,

Was concurred in.

The chair appointed as members of the conference committee on bill No. 117, S., on the part of the assembly, Messrs. Beach, Lewis and Merriman.

SPECIAL ORDER.

No. 537, A.,

A bill to regulate and control the sale of cigarettes,

Mr. Clason offered an amendment, to the amendment, in form of a substitute as follows:

In section 1, fourth line, after the fourth word insert the words "or substitute for either" so that the same shall read:

"It shall be unlawful for any person, persons, company, corporation or association to deal or engage in the sale of cigarettes, or cigars made after the formula of a cigarette, or any paper wrapper, or any other form whereby such cigarette or cigarettes can be made or substitute for either, except as hereinafter provided,"

Which was adopted.

The amendment in form of a substitute to No. 537, A.,

Was adopted.

No. 537, A., as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 537, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

The assembly adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1897,
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Miner offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorke and Mr. Speaker—87.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Goodell, Jones D. F., Lange, Mosher, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Sether, Smith J. J., Thomas and Welch—13.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs J. J. Smith and Pratt for this session.

To Mr. Fogo, Mr. McDonald and Mr. Burnham after this session until next Wednesday.

Mr. Frink was, on his motion,

Granted a leave of absence after this session until next Wednesday.

Mr. Davidson was, on his motion,

Refused a leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The vote by which Mr. Davidson was refused a leave of absence,

Was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

Mr. Davidson was granted a leave of absence after this session until next Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. White,

Mr. Agen was granted a leave of absence after this session until next Wednesday.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

The vote was reconsidered by which No. 537, A., was passed yesterday.

The question being upon the passage of bill No. 537, A.,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 75; noes, none; absent or not voting, 25.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Cashin, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hindes, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lauge, McDonald, Mosher, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith, J. J., Welch, Wheeler and Woller—25

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Bechtel:

Pet. No. 1194, A.,

For passage of bill No. 506, A., signed by forty-two students of the university of Wisconsin.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 1195, A.,

Petition against passage of bill 297, S., signed by C. W. Williams and one hundred and seven others of Kenosha county.

To committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Barnum:

Res. No. 33, A.,

WHEREAS, At several town meetings held in this state, and at the last state conventions, resolutions have been adopted deprecating use of railway passes by state officials and members of the legislature; and

WHEREAS, This assembly has by a vote of 66 to 32, declared that in its judgment the use of such passes is wrong and ought to be prohibited. Now therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, That the members of this assembly be, and they are hereby requested to deliver to the chief clerk of this assembly all the railway passes they have in their possession, for him to return to the railroad companies;

Resolved, further, That the chief clerk be and he hereby is required to enter upon the journal from day to day the names of the members thus returning their passes.

Was laid over.

By Mr. Niss:

Res. No. 34, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, That an assembly special committee be appointed to serve for the remainder of the session of the legislature, to be known as the Milwaukee Delegation, and to consist of the members of assembly representing districts within the boundaries of the county of Milwaukee. The duties of such special committee shall be to consider such measures relating to affairs exclusively appertaining to that county as may be referred to them.

Was not adopted.

By Mr. Legried:

Jt. Res. No. 46, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That S. W. Pierce be and he is hereby authorized to introduce a bill, entitled, "A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Ground Association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Taylor:

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menomonee river.

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

By committee on Public Lands.

No. 646, A.,

Title reported as a substitute for bills Nos. 77, A., 114, A., and 520, A.,

A bill to vacate the state park, and to bring the lands located therein, and other lands, into market.

To committee on Claims.

By committee on Federal Relations.

No. 647, A.,

Title reported as a substitute for Nos. 159, A., and 197, A.,

A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington statues of Generals Lucius Fairchild and Jeremiah M. Rusk.

Was laid over.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom referred:

No. 361, S.,

A bill to authorize George Beyer and Charles Hall, their successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Oconto river, in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of, and regulation of, mutual live stock insurance companies,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, and recommend that when so amended the same do pass.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Strike out the words "one thousand" where they occur in section 8 and substitute the words "two hundred and fifty."

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred:

No. 77, A., No. 114, A., and No. 520, A., each entitled, "A bill to vacate the state park, and to bring the lands located therein and other into market,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute, to take the place of all said bills, and with the recommendation that it do pass.

ANDREW JENSEN,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privileges or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 63, S.,

To permit Senator Davis to introduce several bills.

Jt. Res. No. 64, S.,

To permit Senator Roehr to introduce bills relating to fraternal assessment orders.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 43, A.,

Granting permission to Mr. Taylor to introduce a bill.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 61, S.,

Resolution authorizing state treasurer to transfer funds for normal school purposes.

Jt. Res. No. 65, S.,

Permitting Senator Baxter to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. Nos. 63, S., 64, S. and 65, S.,

Were severally concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 61, S.,

Was laid over.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair,

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties,

No. 493, A.

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities having a population of 100,000 or more,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc,"

No. 543, A.,

A bill authorizing cities of a certain class to grant water-works franchises to any persons, company or corporation, and providing for the rental to be paid by such cities for the use of water from such water works for protection against fire,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture, The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 69; noes, 9; absent or not voting, 22.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Church, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Plummer, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—69.

Noes—Messrs. Bechtel, Burnham, Buttles, Maertz, Minch, Polacheck, Risum, Schellenberg and Wheeler—9.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Clark, Feige, Flagg, Goodell, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, McDonald, Mosher, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Rosenkraus, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Welch and Woller—22.

No. 12, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 197, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan, on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 13, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, northeasterly from the eastern line of section 21, to the northerly line of section 15, in the 18th ward of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes,"

No. 14, S.,

A bill to confer upon municipal corporations the power to condemn riparian rights for public purposes,

No. 29, S.,

A bill to provide for a more correct record of births and deaths,

No. 171, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 373, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to the compensation of committees of county boards within the state, and amendatory of section 668 of the revised statutes."

No. 181, S.,

A bill relating to malicious civil or criminal action against members of the Wisconsin National Guard,

No. 185, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of penalties and forfeitures under the provisions of special charters in cities having 100,000 or more inhabitants and for the violation of ordinances, rules, regulations or by-laws of such city,

No. 285, S.,

A bill authorizing and empowering corporations organized for the purpose of erecting bridges, to condemn lands,

No. 294, S.,

A bill relating to the disposition of fines in certain cases,

No. 61, S.,

A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to the punishment of sodomy,

No. 68, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

No. 132, S.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns,

No. 183, S.,

A bill to regulate the printing of reports of the State Board of Health,

No. 261, S.,

A bill to provide for the management of the public schools in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred thousand or more,

No. 370, S.,

A bill to authorize Wm. J. Walsh, Fred Morey and W. A. Bradford, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across the Wisconsin river, in Vilas county,

No. 371, S.,

A bill to legalize the acts of Helge Larson, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Vernon, elected by the voters of the town of Coon, Vernon county, Wisconsin,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Stanley,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

Was laid over until next Thursday morning in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. McGrath,

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

Was laid over until next Thursday in its regular order.

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was non-concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 19; noes, 52; absent or not voting, 29.

Ayes—Messrs. Bullard, Buttles, Flett, Jones W. A., Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, Morgan, Olson, Parker, Polacheck, Stanley, Stone, Thompson, True, Tucker, Wheeler and Mr. Speaker—19.

Noes—Messrs. Akermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Church, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Krauss, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Overbeck, Plummer, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Shellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Staples, Sweeting, Taylor, Treat, Utt, Webster, White, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—52.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Cashin, Clark, Clason, Connors, Feige, Flagg, Froehlich, Goodell, Hughes, Jones D. F., Lange, Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Niss, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Thomas, Welch, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Woller—29.

No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer,

Mr. McGrath, with unanimous consent, offered the following amendment:

In section 9, of the printed bill, add the words "Brown county,"

Which was not adopted.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 80; noes, none; absent or not voting, 20.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Shellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Wylie—80.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Goodell, Jones D. F., Lange, Merrill, McDonald, Mosher, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Welch, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—20.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 77, S.,

A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the State Board of Fish Commissioners,

No. 301, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 148, of the laws of 1895, making an appropriation to the State Horticultural Society,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The amendments offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 200, S.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 291, laws of 1880, entitled "An act relating to the equalization of assessments,"

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendments offered by the committee on Manufactures, to
No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 311, S.,

A bill relating to sprinkling of streets in cities of the fourth class,

Was refused a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Relating to the university of Wisconsin,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof,

Was laid over until Thursday, to come up in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. White,

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

Was re-referred to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Marsh,

No. 535, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the extension of earnings,

Was re-referred to the committee on Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 110, A.,

A bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners, prescribe their qualifications, fix their salaries, and for the appointment of a secretary for such board and to fix his salary,

No. 111, A.,

A bill to regulate railway corporations and other common carriers in this state and to define the powers and duties of the board of railway commissioners in relation to the same, and to prevent and punish extortion and unjust discriminations in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state, and to prescribe the mode or procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to repeal all laws in force in direct conflict with the provisions of this act,

Were laid over until to-morrow in their regular order.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315 of laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 238, A.,

A bill relating to liens on logs and lumber, and to provide for a lien for supplies and materials,

No. 240, A.,

A bill relating to the manufacture of pure beer,

No. 294, A.,

A bill for the protection of the public health, and to prevent the adulteration in the manufacture and sale of beer,

No. 360, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the Oshkosh fair association in Winnebago county, a sum of money therein named,

No. 466, A.,

A bill to amend section 3329, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 72, of the laws of 1895, relative to liens upon logs and timber,

No. 505, A.,

A bill relating to the manufacture of beer,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Marsh moved that the assembly adjourn,

Which motion was lost,

On a division of the house.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. True,
Mr. Reinnoldt was granted a leave of absence until next Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Minch,
Mr. Gawin was granted a leave of absence until next Wednesday.

Messrs. Lange and Polley were each granted a leave of absence until next Wednesday.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By the Chair:

Pet. No. 1196, A.,

Petition of the Wisconsin Retail Lumber Dealers' association, relating to rates of freight on lumber.

To committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Overbeck:

Jt. Res. No. 47, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Hoyt be permitted to introduce a bill to provide for the payment of license by plank and toll roads within this state.

Was adopted.

COMMUNICATION TO THE ASSEMBLY.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN,
Department of Military Science and Tactics,
MADISON, Wis., April 1st, 1897.

The Speaker of the Assembly:

DEAR SIR: On Tuesday, April 6th, at 4:15 p. m. in the Armory building there will be a competitive drill between the four companies of the battalion of the university.

Will you kindly extend to the members of the house an invita-

tion to be present and say that if they will make themselves known to the officer at the door of the floor of the armory they will be given reserved seats.

Very respectfully,

JNO. C. W. BROOKS,

1st Lieut., 4th Artillery, U. S. Commandant Army,

The invitation was accepted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:
No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend the adoption of the substitute and the passage of the bill when so amended.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 433, A.,

A bill limiting taxation in cities of the first class,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 393, A.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and for other purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in the form of a substitute, and with the recommendation that when so amended it do pass.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, in form of a substitute, and with the recommendation that when so amended it do pass, Messrs. Clark and Niss dissenting.

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

We, the undersigned members of the committee on Railroads, hereby dissent from the report of the majority of the committee recommending a substitute for No. 514, A., for passage; and we respectfully recommend the passage of No. 514, A., as originally presented.

G. H. CLARK,
C. NISS, JR.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 1, S.,

Memorial to congress for an amendment to the constitution of the United States to give to congress concurrent jurisdiction with the several states for the suppression of trusts and other combinations to control production, stifle competition, and to regulate for their own benefit the price of products and the wages of labor,

No. 217, S.,

A bill relating to reassessment of invalid special taxes and assessments, and to provide for payment of taxes based on such reassessment,

No. 234, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 1 of the laws of 1887, being an act to revise and amend chapter 43 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Odd Fellows' Mutual Life Insurance company, and the several acts amendatory thereof,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be severally concurred in.

Messrs. Parker and Wipperman dissenting from such recommendation of No. 217, S.

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

With the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

No. 644, A.,

A bill relating to the wrecking of railroad trains and providing a punishment therefor,

With amendments in the form of a substitute bill, with the recommendation that, when so amended, the same do pass.

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes,

With amendments, as follows:

Insert the word and figure "Section 1," before the word "Section," in the first line of the original bill, after the enacting clause.

Strike out all of lines 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, after the enacting clause in said original bill, and insert in place thereof the words, "so that said section when so amended shall read as follows:"

Amend further by striking out all of page 3 of the original bill and insert in place thereof the following:

"Section 2. Section 1128 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin is hereby amended by striking out the following words commencing after the first comma in the third line "and upon filing in his office the affidavit of the sheriff, his deputy or under-sheriff" and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, "after the return of the warrant mentioned in section 1126" so that said section when so amended shall read as follows:

"Section 1128 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin is hereby amended by striking out the following words commencing after the first comma in the third line "and upon filing in his office the affidavit of the sheriff, his deputy or under-sheriff" and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "after the return of the warrant mentioned in section 1126" so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 1128. The county treasurer, after one year from the time any delinquent personal property tax shall have been returned to his office by the treasurer of any town after the return of the warrant mentioned in section 1126 stating that such tax is uncollectible, shall charge the same back to such town, city or village, and certify the same to the county clerk, who shall add the same to the next county tax apportioned thereto; but if any such tax shall be thereafter collected by the county treasurer, the amount so collected shall be credited to such town, city or village."

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

With amendments, as follows:

By inserting in the first line of section 1, of the original bill, after the word "statutes," the words "as amended by chapter 149 of the laws of 1895,"

And with the recommendation that, when so amended, the same do pass.

No. 416, A.,

A bill to prevent combinations between fire insurance companies, and providing penalties therefor,

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies,

With the recommendation that the same be re-referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

No. 185, A.,

A bill to amend section 4224 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to limitations of actions,

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of liens,"

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895,

No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 416 and 597, A., were re-committed to the committee on Finance, Banks and Banking, as recommended by the committee on Judiciary.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Relating to the university,

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315 of the laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe a license fee to be paid by such companies for carrying on business within this state,

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation,

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills No. 394, A., 345, A., and 623, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 130, A.,

A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and trans-
mitting of bets,

No. 133, A.,

A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881 and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals.

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges of this state,

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

No. 429, A.,

A bill relating to granting of two unconditional pardons, annually, for extra meritorious conduct, to prisoners confined in the state prison,

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, in Door county,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies,

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

No. 639, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 84, laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways,"

Have had the same under examination, and have instructed me to report the same back with verbal corrections.

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment to title and verbal corrections.

CHR. ACKERMANN,

Chairman pro tem.

The verbal corrections to Nos. 222, A., 542, A., and 639, A., and the amendments to No. 82, A., proposed by the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading were adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The committee appointed under assembly resolution No. 27, to investigate and report the reasons why toll roads have not reported to the secretary of state or paid any license fees, find on examination that by some unaccountable omission while section 1869 remains as a portion of the statutes of 1878 and provides that all toll roads shall make an annual report to the secretary of state, there is no penalty for not reporting nor any license fee required; no reports have been made or license fees paid for years. Chapter 74, laws of 1854, provided that plank roads and railroads should pay an annual license fee of one per cent. on their gross earnings. The same provision was included in chapter 18 of the revised statutes of 1858, chapter 174, laws of 1860, provided for an increase of the license fee on the railroads to three per cent., making no provision for a license fee for toll roads and repealed the sections of the revised statutes of 1858 that provided for a license fee for plank roads, leaving no provision for the taxation

of toll roads except the general law by local assessment, which, so far as can be ascertained, has not been done, certainly not in Milwaukee county where most of the toll roads are located. While a few of the toll roads continued to pay a license fee of one per cent. after the law had been repealed until 1883 and one until 1888, some of them have not paid license fees or taxes of any kind since 1859. We would recommend a law providing for a license fee on the gross earnings of all toll roads, and that some legislation be had tending to do away with all such roads in the near future as they have long outlived their usefulness, and while they may have met a need in the past, the conditions that warranted their building do not now exist.

E. D. HOYT,
GEO. WYLIE,
HENRY OVERBECK, Jr.,
Special Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in
Jt. Res. No. 46, A.,

Permitting Mr. Pierce to introduce a bill.

Has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways.

Has concurred in

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a Northern Wisconsin State
Fair to be held at Chippewa Falls,

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes, relating
to lands sold for taxes,

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu, in the county of
Fond du Lac,

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards
or pleasure ways,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, 'An
act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc, for the west-
ern municipal district of the county of Waukesha,

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes, by in-
serting before the word "railroad," where it first appears in said
section, the words "steam, electric or cable,"

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of laws of 1895, relating to terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the workhouse of any county or counties,

No. 190, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of societies organized for the purpose of securing homes for orphans, or abandoned, neglected or grossly ill-treated children, by adoption or otherwise, and providing rules for the regulation of the same,"

No. 287, S.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 368, S.,

A bill designating the seventh day of June, 1898, as a public holiday, authorizing the governor to secure an official observance thereof, and appropriating a sum of money sufficient therefor,

No. 373, S.,

A bill relating to vaults in the state capitol building and making an appropriation therefor.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 316, A.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills Nos. 59, 190 and 373,

Were read a first and second time and laid over.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 287, S.,

To committee on Railroads.

No. 368, S.,

To committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Staples moved that the vote be reconsidered by which bill No. 563, A., was indefinitely postponed,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Morgan moved that the vote be reconsidered by which bill No. 56, S., was concurred in,

Which motion was carried.

Mr. Morgan offered an amendment to bill No. 56, S., as follows:

In section 9 add "Sauk" to the list of counties designated therein.

Which was adopted.

Mr. McGrath offered an amendment to bill No. 56, S., as follows:

Amend section 9 by inserting the word "Brown" between "Burnett and Calumet" in the second line of the printed bill.

Which was adopted.

No. 56, S., as amended,

Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The vote was re-considered by which No. 203, S., was non-concurred in

Which motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 203, S.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Clack,

The assembly adjourned.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Miner offered prayer.

On motion of Mr. Barnum,

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The journal of Friday was approved.

The committee of Conference, appointed to consider the amendment to bill No. 57, S., which was in disagreement, reported that they had agreed to recommend concurrence by the senate in the same, and had so reported to that house.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred:

By Mr. Hoyt:

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Pierce:

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. Houser, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in assembly amendments, to

No. 171, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 373, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to the compensation of committees of county boards within the state, and amendatory of section 668 of the revised statutes,"

No. 181, S.,

A bill relating to malicious civil or criminal actions against members of the Wisconsin national guard,

No. 185, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of penalties and forfeitures under the provisions of special charters in cities having 100,000 or more inhabitants, and for the violation of ordinances, rules, regulations or by-laws of such city,

No. 294, S.,

A bill relating to the disposition of fines in certain cases.

And has concurred in assembly amendment designated as section 15a, to

No. 57, S.,

A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 66, S.,

Requesting President McKinley to revoke order pertaining to Milwaukee pension agency.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 47, A.,

Permitting Mr. Hoyt to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 66, S.,

Was concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 33, A.,

Relating to the return of railway passes,

Mr. Barnum moved that further consideration of Res. No. 33, A.,

Be deferred until next Thursday in its regular order.

Mr. Hindes moved that Res. No. 33, A.,

Be laid upon the table.

Mr. Hindes withdrew his motion to lay on the table Res. No. 33, A.

Mr. Barnum withdrew his motion to lay over Res. No. 33, A

Further consideration of Res. No. 33, A., was temporarily deferred, and there being no objection order No. 12 was at this time taken up.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Memorial to Congress No. 1, S.,

For an amendment to the constitution of the United States, to give to congress concurrent jurisdiction with the several states for the suppression of trusts and other combinations to control production, stifle competition, and to regulate for their benefit the price of products and the wages of labor,

No. 190, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of societies organized for the purpose of securing homes for orphans, or abandoned, neglected or grossly ill-treated children, by adoption or otherwise, and providing rules for the regulation of the same,"

No. 234, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 1 of the laws of 1887, being an act to revise and amend chapter 43 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Odd Fellows' Mutual Life Insurance company, and the several acts amendatory thereof,"

No. 373, S.,

A bill relating to vaults in the state capitol building and making an appropriation therefor,

Jt. Res. No. 61, S.,

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the state treasurer is hereby authorized to use from any funds in his possession not otherwise needed, such sums as may be needed monthly during the months of September, October, November and December, 1897, not to exceed twenty thousand

dollars in any one month, for the payment of the current expenses of the Normal schools during said month. All such sums so used shall be by him repaid and discharged out of the Normal School Income Fund on or before the 31st day of January, 1898,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Parker,
No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 290, of laws of 1895, relating to terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the workhouse of any county or counties,

Was re-referred to committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Was laid over until next Thursday, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Parker,
No. 217, S.,

A bill relating to reassessment of invalid special taxes and assessments, and to provide for payment of taxes based on such re-assessment,

Was laid over until next Thursday, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Harvey,
On a division of the house,
No. 361, S.,

A bill to authorize Geo. Beyer and Charles Hall, their successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Oconto river, in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

Was taken up for consideration, and

Ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendments offered by the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of, and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,
Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments in the form of substitutes offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Treat,

No. 506, A.,

A bill to prevent the granting of any license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within a half mile of the state university, normal schools or high schools,

Was laid over until next Thursday, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

No. 647, A.,

Title reported as a substitute for Nos. 159, A., and 197, A.,

A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington statues of General Lucius Fairchild and Jeremiah M. Rusk,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,
No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin,
Was laid over until next Wednesday, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. McGrath,
No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895,

Was laid over until next Thursday, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Flett,
No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 12 and 13 of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to securing secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

Was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

No. 275, A., was laid over until next Thursday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. McGrath,
No. 110, A.,

A bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners, prescribe their qualifications, fix their salaries, and for the appointment of a secretary for such board and to fix his salary,

No. 111, A.,

A bill to regulate railway corporations and other common carriers in this state and to define the powers and duties of the board of railway commissioners in relation to the same, and to prevent and punish extortion and unjust discriminations in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state, and to prescribe the mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to repeal all laws in force in direct conflict with the provisions of this act,

Were laid over until next Thursday in their regular order.

No. 185, A.,

A bill to amend section 4224 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to limitations of actions,

No. 206, A.,

A bill relating to hotels and inns,

No. 268, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of liens,"

No. 393, A.,

A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain,

No. 433, A.,

A bill limiting taxation in cities of the first class,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. D. K. Smith moved that the assembly adjourn,
Which motion was lost.

Res. No. 33, A.,

Was at this time taken up.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

Further consideration of Res. No. 33, A.,

Was deferred until next Thursday.

On motion of Mr. Stone,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 1897.
8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Nichols offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Agen, Cashin, Connors, Edwards, Gawin, Sether, Smith J. J., Staples, Webster and Wiperman—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Webster, J. J. Smith and Agen for this session

The journal of Saturday was approved.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in assembly at close of session, Friday, April 3, 1897.

Whole number of bills introduced in assembly, 649.

COMMITTEES.	Assembly bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Senate bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Re- ported.	Now in com- mittee.
Judiciary	207	53	253	7
Assessment and Collection of Taxes	69	7	70	6
Agriculture	22	2	23	1
Cities	55	12	61	6
Corporations	26	4	25	5
Dairy and Food	7	1	8	.....
Education	26	16	24	8
Finance, Banks and Insurance	17	11	17	11
Federal Relations	11	1	8	4
Legislative Expenditures	1	2	2	1
Lumber and Mining	10	7	15	2
Manufactures	8	1	9	.....
Military Affairs	6	3	9	.....
Public Lands	4	.....	4	.....
Public Health and Sanitation	24	6	24	6
Public Improvements .....	.....	1	.....	1
Privileges and Elections	17	6	19	4
Railroads	19	1	15	5
Roads and Bridges	20	2	20	2
State Affairs	61	15	72	4
Town and County Organization	53	5	56	2
Ways and Means	14	.....	13	1
Claims	55	.....	41	14
Charitable and Penal Institutions	20	.....	17	3
Fish and Game	5	4	5	4
Printing	4	1	4	1
Totals	761	161	824	98
Bills re-referred	112	6	.....	.....
Total number bills	649	155	.....	.....

Recapitulation.

Assembly bills introduced and referred	649	....
Assembly bills re-referred	112	....
Senate bills received and referred	155	....
Senate bills re-referred	6	....
Bills reported	824	....
Bills now in committee	98	....
	922	922

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee	65	....
Indefinitely postponed	318	....
Passed assembly	199	....
Concurred in by senate	130	....
Non-concurred in by senate	11	....
Pending in senate	58	....
Bills pending—not ready for passage	67	....
	649	199

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office.

MADISON, APRIL 5, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, without approval, bill No. 434, originating in the assembly.

The policy of enacting a measure of this kind, made applicable to all cities and villages in the state, "any provision of any city or village charter to the contrary notwithstanding," may well be questioned; but the most serious objection to the bill is aside from this.

A law similar in character was enacted by the legislature of 1893, but that law contained a provision authorizing the common councils, and village boards, to extend the licenses issued prior to its enactment, and which would expire before the date fixed in the law for the issuing of new licenses, to the latter date, on the payment of a *pro rata* amount by the applicants for the licenses. There are undoubtedly many cities and villages in the state where liquor licenses have been issued on May 1, or some other date prior to July 1, good for one year. These licenses will expire on May 1, or on some other date prior to July 1; and the bill herewith returned makes no provision whatever for the extension of these licenses until July 1, the date fixed by this measure for the new licenses to issue.

It will be readily seen that this failure to make provision for an extension of the licenses now in force and expiring prior to July 1, will result in confusion, and possibly in injustice to the cities and people affected by it.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The communication was laid over until tomorrow.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:
Jt. Res. No. 42, S.,

Authorizing the commission appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to use the unexpended balance in erecting a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,
Relating to the university,
No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe a license fee to be paid by such companies for carrying on business within this state,

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission,

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, Have had the same under consideration. and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Risum,
No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,
Was re-referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,
No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,
Was re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Latta,
No. 429, A.,

A bill to authorize the governor and state board of control to parole life prisoners and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin,

Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state,

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth,

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, in Door county,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hurd offered the following amendment to the title of

No. 639, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 84, laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways,"

"A bill to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph, telephone or electric light and power lines within the limits of public highways,

Which was adopted.

Bill No. 639, A., was then read a third time and passed.

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society, amendatory of sub-section 8, section 376 of revised statutes,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 88; noes, none; absent or not voting, 12.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum,

Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—88.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Cashin, Connors, Edwards, Gawin, Jones D. F., Lange, Sether, Smith J. J., Staples, Webster and Wipperman—12.

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 79; noes, 5; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkraus, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—79.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Overbeck, Parker, Risum, and Sweeting—5.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Connors, Edwards, Feige, Gawin, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Sether, Smith J. J., Staples, Webster and Wipperman—16.

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 87; noes, none; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh

Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—87.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Cashin, Connors, Edwards, Gawin, Jones D. F., Lange, Sether, Smith J. J., Staples, Webster and Wipperman—13.

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That article 13 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended by adding thereto, after section 10 of the same, a new section which shall be designated as section 11 of article 13, and shall read as follows:

Section 11. No public officer, or person elected or appointed to a public office, under the laws of this state, shall directly or indirectly ask, demand, accept, receive or consent to receive for his own use or benefit, or for the use or benefit of another, any free pass, free transportation, franking privilege or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates, from any person or corporation, or make use of the same himself or in conjunction with another. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall forfeit his office at the suit of the attorney-general. Any corporation, or officer or agent thereof who shall offer or promise to a public officer or person elected or appointed to a public office, any such free pass, free transportation, franking privilege or discrimination, shall also be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and liable to punishment, except as herein provided. No person or officer, or agent of a corporation giving any such free pass, free transportation, franking privilege or discrimination hereby prohibited, shall be privileged from testifying in relation thereto, and he shall not be liable to civil or criminal prosecution therefor, if he shall testify to the giving of the same.

The ayes and noes being required, the joint resolution was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 53; noes, 36; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hughes, Jones W. A., Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Pratt,

Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, White, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—53.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Feige, Fogo, Goodell, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, McGrath, Mosher, Olson, Parker, Polacheck, Polley, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Sweeting, Taylor, Welch, Wheeler, Wolfinger, Woller and Yorkey—36.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Cashin, Connors, Edwards, Frink, Gawin, Sether, Smith J. J., Staples, Webster and Wipperman—11.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
Order No. 13 was taken up.

The amendment in the form of a substitute by the committee on Manufactures, to

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hail,
No. 194, A., as amended,

Was laid over until to-morrow, in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,
No. 243, A.,

A bill to impose a penalty upon the owners of taxable personal property for refusing to make return thereof,

Was laid over until to-morrow, in its regular order.

Mr. Lewis moved that bill No. 605, A., be laid over until Friday in its regular order,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Clack moved that the assembly adjourn.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Nichols offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-
man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Sether and Staples—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Staples for this session.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

LETTERS PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 1197, A.,

Remonstrance of K. K. Cass and 145 others, of Kenosha county, against passage of bill 297, S.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Reynolds:

Pet. No. 1198, A.,

Remonstrance against passage of bill No. 297, S., signed by De Witt Stanton and seventy others of Kenosha county.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1199, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 297, S., signed by John O. Thomas, town clerk, and others, of the town of Caledonia.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1200, A.,

Protesting against the passage of bill No. 297, S., passed at a meeting of the citizens of the town of Burlington, Racine county, and signed by Jas. Rueschlein, town clerk.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1201, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 297, S., signed by W. E. Tucker and forty-six others, of the town of Yorkville.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1202, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 297, S., signed by Jos. Rueschlein, clerk of the town of Burlington.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1203, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 297, S., signed by George Ela, chairman of the board of supervisors of the town of Rochester, Racine county.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1204, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill No. 297, S., signed by M. Schenkenberg, chairman of the town of Waterford.

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1205, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 297, S., signed by M. Schenkenberg and forty-three others of the town of Waterford.
To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Mosher:

Pet. No. 1206, A.,

Protesting against passage of bill 297, S., signed by M. Marton and five others, as a committee of the town of Raymond.
To committee on State Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Flett:

Jt. Res. No. 48, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Clason be permitted to introduce a bill, being a bill to provide for the labeling of beverages.

Was adopted.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Jt. Res. No. 49, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Agen be permitted to introduce a bill relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Davidson:

Jt. Res. No. 50, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Frink be permitted to introduce a bill authorizing cities of the first class to provide for the disposing of their garbage and erect crematories or other garbage reducing works thereon, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of, and regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating delinquent taxes,

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 91, 318 and 566, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

No. 434, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 92: absent or not voting, 8.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Anson, Cashin, Clason, Gawin, Sether, Staples, Thomas and Webster—8.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in assembly amendments, to

No. 56, S.,

A bill to require license for the hunting of deer.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
Jt. Res. No. 67, S.,
Permitting Senator Withee to introduce a bill.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
No. 4, S.,

A bill to increase the efficiency of the State Free Library
Commission and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 107, S.,

A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in
cities of the second and third class,

No. 173, S.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of
section 1291 of chapter 52 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated
statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 127 of the laws
of 1893,

No. 377, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895, relat-
ing to fishways in dams.

And has concurred in

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement and payment for improve-
ments, on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first
class,

No. 397, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of the cost
of constructing sewers in certain cases,

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An
act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled 'An act
to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled 'An act to
amend chapter 258 of the laws of 1883,' entitled 'An act to
provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and ap-
propriating moneys therefor,'"

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities of the first class
and operating under a special charter granted by the legisla-
ture of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water
system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to
collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 67, S.,
Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 4, S.,
To committee on Education.
No. 107, S.,
To committee on Cities.
No. 173, S.,
To committee on Roads and Bridges.
No. 377, S.,
To committee on Fish and Game.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 33, A.,

WHEREAS, At several town meetings held in this state, and at the last state conventions, resolutions have been adopted deprecating use of the railway passes by state officials and members of the legislature; and

WHEREAS, This assembly has by a vote of 66 to 32, declared that in its judgment the use of such passes is wrong and ought to be prohibited. Now therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, That the members of this assembly be, and they are hereby requested to deliver to the chief clerk of this assembly all the railway passes they have in their possession, for him to return to the railroad companies;

Resolved, further, That the chief clerk be and he hereby is required to enter upon the journal from day to day the names of the members thus returning their passes.

Mr. Hindes moved that the resolution be laid on the table.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 58; noes, 39; absent or not voting, 3.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Buliard, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lewis, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Pierce, Plummer, Pratt, Ray, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer,

Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—58.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Burnham, Buttles, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Feige, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Legried, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Mosher, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Sweeting, Taylor, Welch, Wheeler, Wolfinger, Woller and Yorkey—39.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Sether and Staples—3.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

No. 58, S.,

A bill for an act to regulate the nominations of candidates,

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Lange offered April 1st.

Mr. Barnum moved that the amendment be laid upon the table,

Which motion was lost.

The amendment offered by Mr. Lange April 1st,

Was not adopted.

Mr. Lange offered a second amendment,

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Lewis offered an amendment in the form of a substitute to bill No. 58, S.,

Which was ruled out of order by the chair.

No. 58, S., was ordered to a third reading.

No. 580, A.,

A bill to require primary elections for the purpose of nominating candidates for office, and to prescribe the method thereof and the means therefor,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. True moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until to-morrow at 9 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was carried.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of section 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation,

Mr. Rosenkrans offered an amendment to the amendment in form of a substitute as offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to bill No. 280, A., as follows:

Amend by inserting after the word "assessor," in the seventh line of printed substitute, the words "of any town in the county," and after the word "bank" in the same line, the words, "in said county,"

Which was adopted.

The amendment in form of a substitute to bill No. 280, A., offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, as amended,

Was adopted.

The amended title to No. 280, A., offered by the committee as follows:

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin relating to the assessment of bank stock,

Was adopted.

Bill No. 280, A., as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. D. F. Jones moved that

No. 243, A.,

A bill to impose a penalty upon the owners of taxable personal property for refusing to make return thereof,

Be laid over, and that the attorney general be requested to give to the assembly, as soon as possible, a written opinion as to the constitutionality of the bill.

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Minch

The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Parker:

Res. No. 36, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, That all speeches in the assembly be limited to five minutes, but a majority of the members present and voting, may, upon motion, grant a longer time.

Laid over.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Frink:

No. 650, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposing of their garbage, and to erect crematories or other garbage reducing works thereon, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof.

Mr. Polacheck objected to the bill being received, on the ground that it was substantially identical with the purport of bill No. 469, A., and other bills which had already been indefinitely postponed.

The chair put the question and the assembly on division voted that the bill be received.

No. 650, A., was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Corporations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments as follows:

Amendments to bill No. 290, A.

Amend section 1 by inserting after the word "law" where it occurs in the second line of the printed bill of said section the following: "that do not now under their charter elect constables."

Amend said bill further by striking out section two thereof,

Amend said bill further by renumbering sections 3, 4 and 5 as 2, 3 and 4 respectively,

And with the recommendation that, when so amended, it do pass.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

With amendment in the form of a substitute, and with the recommendation that when so amended it do pass.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend that when so amended it do pass.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 390, A., is as follows:

Amend by striking out the word "six" where it occurs in the first line of section 6 and insert in lieu thereof the word "two," also the word "fifteen," which occurs in the third line of the same section and insert in lieu thereof the word "five," so that the section when amended shall read as follows:

Section 6. There is annually appropriated for two years to the commissioners of the geological and natural history survey

out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of five thousand dollars, the first appropriation to be paid in the current fiscal year.

No. 230, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard,

No. 405, A.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 300 of the general laws of 1895, and to provide for the distribution of copies of bills to county clerks and the filing and preservation of same.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed;

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 326, A.,

A bill to regulate the rate of rental to be charged by telephone companies in cities of the second and third classes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 235, S.,

A bill to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the state historical society library building, and extending the tax levy therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back without recommendation.

No. 194, S.,

A bill to amend section 371 of the annotated statutes, relating to the state library,

No. 367, S.,

A bill authorizing the State Historical society to sell and convey certain real estate,

No. 32, S.,

A bill relative to establishing free public libraries in cities, villages and towns,

With the recommendation that they be concurred in.

No. 170, S.,

A bill to provide for salary of librarians of school districts,
With the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

No. 163, A.,

A bill to provide for the equipment and furnishing of the
state historical library building and making an appropriation
therefor,

No. 377, A.,

A bill to provide for enlarging and equipment of the state
historical library building and extending the tax levy therefor,

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

FRANK T. TUCKER,

Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom
was referred:

No. 594, A.,

A bill for the protection of the public health by providing
for the inspection of cattle, sheep and swine slaughtered, or to
be slaughtered for human food,

No. 634, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 167 of the laws of 1883,
entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health."

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed
me to report the same back with the recommendation that
the same be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE A. CLASON,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the
town laws of this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed
me to report the same back with amendments as follows:

Proposed amendments to No. 474, A.,

Amend section 1 by striking out the after the word "school"
where it appears in the third line of the engrossed bill the words
"state's prison," where it appears in the third and fourth lines.

Proposed amendments to No. 376, A.,

Amend section 2 by adding after the word "general" when
it appears in the last line of said section of the engrossed bill
the words "and state librarian."

And recommend that when so amended they do pass.

No. 368, S.,

A bill designating the seventh day of June, 1898, as a public holiday, and authorizing the governor to secure an official observance thereof, and appropriating a sum of money sufficient therefor,

With amendments as follows:

Amendments to No. 368, S.,

Amend section three by adding after the word "manner" where it appears in the last line of said section of the printed bill, the words, "providing, however, that the amount hereby appropriated shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars."

And recommend that when so amended it be concurred in, Mr. Wolfinger dissenting.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin, and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the assessment of bank stock,

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222, of chapter 177, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings."

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

Bills Nos. 194, 280 and 373, A., were referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, laws of 1885, entitled, "an act in relation to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,"

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128 of the revised statutes relating to delinquent taxes,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal amendments to bill No. 318, A., were adopted.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 236, A.,

A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes, relating to lands sold for taxes,

No. 399, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 635, A.,

A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions,

No. 276, A.,

A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu, in the county of Fond du Lac,

No. 205, A.,

A bill to regulate the duties of registrars of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with them of marriage certificates,

No. 79, A.,

A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 278, A.,

A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin,

No. 85, A.,

A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls,"

No. 558, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for the county of Langlade,

No. 380, A.,

A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to remunerate him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature,

No. 264, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 217, A.,

A bill to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

No. 432, A.,

A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the "chain of lakes," navigable lakes and public highways,

No. 17, A.,

A bill to provide for the distribution of the blue book and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 126, A.,

A bill to establish and provide for a Northern Wisconsin State Fair to be held at Chippewa Falls,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in Jt. Res. No. 48, A.,

Permitting Mr. Clason to introduce a bill,

Jt. Res. No. 49, A.,

Permitting Mr. Agen to introduce a bill,

Jt. Res. No. 50, A.,

Permitting Mr. Frink to introduce a bill,

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in
Jt. Res. No. 23, S.,

Proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 10 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, relating to education.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 23, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Education.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

Further consideration of

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

Was postponed until to-morrow morning.

A motion offered by Mr. Bechtel, that

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Be recalled from the senate,

Was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hindes,

The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 1897,
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—99.

Absent with leave—Mr. Sether—1.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Barnum after this session, until next Tuesday.

To Mr. Webster after this session, until next Wednesday.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Lange:

Pet. No. 1207, A.,

Petition of residents and tax-payers of Paycheedah, asking for legislation abolishing toll roads.

To committee on Corporations.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Mr. Wipperman gave notice of his intention to introduce a joint resolution to-morrow,

Relating to the appointment by the governor of a special municipal tax commission.

By Mr. Clason:

Jt. Res. No. 51, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Hall be permitted to introduce a bill making it the duty of all persons selling or disposing of poisons to place the same in bottles, red in color and triangular in shape.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Clason:

No. 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages.

To committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Agen:

No. 652, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 652, A.,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Agen moved that the rules be suspended, and

No. 652, A.,

Be put upon its passage.

Objection being made to such suspension of the rules,
No. 652, A.,
Was, on motion of Mr. Stone,
Laid over in its regular order.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:
No. 103, A.,

A bill to codify and amend the laws relating to common schools,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and recommend that when so amended it do pass.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Insert at end of sub-division 4 of section 461e:

No person shall be employed by any county superintendent of schools under the provisions of this section, as institute conductor or lecturer, who is engaged in publishing text-books or dealing in school supplies, or who is an agent or employee of any individual or company thus engaged, or who is proprietor or manager of or in any way pecuniarily interested in any teachers' employment agency or bureau; nor shall the committee on Teachers' Institutes of the board of regents of normal schools approve any such person for services in institutes provided for in this section; nor shall any such person be employed as instructor or lecturer in any institute supported in whole or in part by the state.

Amend section 458a, subdivision 3, so that it will read as follows:

3. The holder of a diploma granted by any incorporated college or university, whose regular collegiate courses are fully and fairly equivalent to corresponding courses in the university of Wisconsin, and the holder of a diploma granted by a state normal school whose course of study is fully and fairly equivalent to the courses of study in the Wisconsin normal schools, may present such diploma, together with evidence of the required standing of the college, university or normal school granting the same, to the state board of examiners. The applicant shall furnish therewith testimonials of good moral character and of two years' successful teaching in a public school after the date of issue of said diploma. The holder of a diploma recommended favorably by the board shall be entitled to receive an unlimited state certificate. The holder of a diploma upon which a state certificate has not been issued, and which was granted upon the completion of a course of study

accredited as herein provided, may be given a special license by the state superintendent to teach for two years in a public school, upon the recommendation of the state board of examiners made in pursuance of such examination as to learning, moral character, and ability to teach as said board may require.

Amend section 462a by adding at the end of said section the following:

Such clerks shall also report the amount of the indebtedness of their respective districts.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of laws of 1895, relating to terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the workhouse of any county or counties,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

With amendments as follows:

After the word "be" in the 18th line of section 1, of the engrossed bill, insert the words "fixed by the justice appointing him, but the same shall not exceed,"

And with the recommendation that when so amended the same be concurred in.

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes,"

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

The Conference committee, to whom was referred:

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private insane asylums,

Together with the amendment in disagreement between the two houses, respectfully report and recommend that the assembly re-consider its vote by which it non-concurred in the senate amendment to said bill, and concur in the same.

THOMAS B. MILLS.

L. W. THAYER,

A. SOLLIDAY,

Members on the part of the Senate.

CHR. ACKERMANN,

C. A. STANLEY,

M. J. CONNORS,

Members on the part of the Assembly.

The assembly refused to adopt the report of the conference committee on bill No. 48, A.

Mr. Hoyt moved that another conference committee on No. 48, A., be appointed,

Which motion was carried.

The chair appointed as members of such committee of Conference, on the part of the assembly, Messrs. Harvey, Olson, and J. J. Smith.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate requests the assembly to return to senate for further consideration

Jt. Res. No. 48, A.,

Permitting Mr. Clason to introduce a bill,

And has adopted and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 68, S.,

To allow Sen. McGillivray to introduce a bill.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The request of the senate for the return of

Jt. Res. No. 48, A.,

Was refused.

Jt. Res. No. 68, S.,

Was non-concurred in.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
The vote by which
Jt. Res. No. 68, S.,
Was non-concurred in, was reconsidered, and
Jt. Res. No. 68, S., was concurred in on a division of the
house.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate requests
the assembly to forthwith return to senate
No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Bill No. 169, S., was ordered returned to the senate in compliance with request.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 36, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, That all speeches in the assembly be limited to five minutes, but a majority of the members present and voting may, upon motion, grant a longer time.

Mr. Parker offered an amendment as follows:

Amend by striking out all after the word "minutes," and adding instead thereof the words "unless by unanimous consent,"

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Peterson offered an amendment as follows:

Amend by striking out the word "five," and inserting in place thereof the word "ten,"

Which was not adopted.

Res. No. 36, A.,

Was adopted.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,
Relating to the university,
No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation,

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of, and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend section, 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes,

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 429, A.,

A bill to authorize the governor and stateboard of control to parole life prisoners and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin,

Was, on a division of the house,

Refused passage.

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe the mode of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Frauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—83.

Noes—Latta, Polley and Utt—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Clark, Clason, Flagg, Froehlich, Marsh, McDonald, Polacheck, Sether, Smith D. K., Taylor, Tucker, Webster and Mr. Speaker—14.

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, 7; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriam, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—83.

Noes—Messrs. Cashin, Gawin, Lange, Maertz, Pierce, Risum and Shellenberg—7.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Clason, Fogo, Jones D. F., Klabunde, McDonald, Rutherford, Sether, Taylor and Mr. Speaker—10.

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315 of laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriam, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—83.

Noes—Messrs. Hurlbut, McGrath and Risum—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Borchsenius, Feige, Fogo, Jones D. F., Klabunde, McDonald, Minch, Olson, Parker, Rutherford, Sether, Taylor and Mr. Speaker—14.

Memorial to Congress No. 1, S.,

For an amendment to the constitution of the United States, to give to congress concurrent jurisdiction with the several states for the suppression of trusts and other combinations to control production, stifle competition, and to regulate for their own benefit the price of products and the wages of labor,

No. 77, S.,

A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the state board of fish commissioners,

No. 190, S.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of societies organized for the purpose of securing homes for orphans, or abandoned, neglected or grossly ill-treated children, by adoption or otherwise, and providing rules for the regulation of the same,"

No. 200, S.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 291, laws of 1880, entitled "An act relating to the equalization of assessments,"

No. 234, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 1 of the laws of 1887, being an act to revise and amend chapter 43 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Odd Fellows' Mutual Life Insurance company, and the several acts amendatory thereof,"

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

No. 361, S.,

A bill to authorize George Beyer and Charles Hall, their successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Oconto river, in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Mosher,

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

Was re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. McGrath,

No. 58, S.,

A bill for an act to regulate the nomination of candidates,

Was re-referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

No. 301, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 148, of the laws of 1895, making an appropriation to the State Horticultural Society,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 86; noes, none; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes.—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wiperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—86.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Davidson, Feige, Goodell, McDonald, Olson, Rutherford, Sether, Smith D. K., Sweeting, Taylor, Utt, Wolfinger and Mr. Speaker—14.

No. 373, S.,

A bill relating to vaults in the state capitol building, and making an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 88; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Shellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker,

Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—88.

Noes—Mr. Ackermann.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Goodell, Hurd, Hurlbut, Lange, McDonald, Morgan, Overbeck, Rutherford, Sether and Mr. Speaker—11.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly adopted his amendment offered on March 25th, to

No. 121, S.,

A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Mr. Jones then withdrew his amendment.

No. 121, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 42, S.,

Authorizing the commissioners appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to use the unexpended balance in erecting a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga,

No. 217, S.,

A bill relating to reassessment of invalid special taxes and assessments, and to provide for payment of taxes based on such reassessment,

No. 32, S.,

A bill relative to establishing free public libraries in cities villages and towns,

No. 194, S.,

A bill to amend section 371 of the annotated statutes as amended by chapter 136 of the laws of 1895, relating to the state library,

No. 235, S.,

A bill to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the State Historical Library building, and extending the tax levy therefor,

No. 367, S.,

A bill authorizing the State Historical Society to sell and convey certain real estate,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to No. 368, S.,

A bill designating the seventh day of June, 1898, as a public holiday, authorizing the governor to secure an official observance thereof, and appropriating a sum of money sufficient therefor,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 170, S.,

A bill to provide for salary of librarians of school districts,

Was refused a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The following communication, relative to bill No. 243, A., was received from the attorney-general:

APRIL 8th, 1897.

HON. W. A. NOWELL,

Chief Clerk Assembly.

DEAR SIR:—We are in receipt of your communication in regard to substitute bill for No. 243, A.

We have examined this bill and find no constitutional objection thereto.

Yours truly,

W. H. MYLREA,
Attorney General.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to No. 243, A.,

A bill to impose a penalty upon the owners of taxable personal property for refusing to make return thereof,

Was adopted.

Mr. Hall moved that bill No. 243, A., be re-referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. W. A. Jones offered an amendment to bill No. 243, A., which

On motion of Mr. Hogan,

Was laid upon the table with the bill.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Res. No. 37, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, That all committees of the assembly be required to report all bills and resolutions in the hands of such committees on or before Monday evening, April 14.

Laid over until next Wednesday.

By Mr. Wipperman:

Jt. Res. No. 53, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Bullard be and he is hereby authorized and permitted to introduce a bill authorizing cities owning, maintaining and operating a system of waterworks to contract to supply and to furnish to adjoining cities and villages water for fire, mechanical and domestic purposes.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 161, S.,

A bill to provide for the payment of license by street railway and electric companies within the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment in form of a substitute, with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended,

Mr. Hall dissenting.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:
No. 324, S.,

A bill to authorize Maitland H. Wilcox to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a spring brook in Dunn county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and recommend that the bill be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 of No. 324, S., by striking out the word "Mitland" where it appears in the first line of said section and insert in lieu thereof the word "Maitland;" also by adding at the end of said section the following: "provided, however, that no fishway shall be required in said dam."

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 643, A.,

A bill relating to trade, department stores and commerce in the state of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 593, A.,

A bill relating to the regulating of trade and commerce in the state of Wisconsin,

With an amendment in the form of a substitute and recommend that, when so amended. the bill do pass.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 647, A.,

A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington statues of General Lucius Fairchild and General Jeremiah M. Rusk, being a substitute for bills Nos. 159, A., and 197, A.,

No. 413, A.

A bill to appropriate to the attorney general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the statement that the vote of the committee on both the recommendation for passage and indefinite postponement was a tie.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

With an amendment to the amendment, and recommend that when so amended it do pass.

The proposed amendment to the amendment of bill No. 218, A., is as follows:

Amend the amendment by striking out the word "eighteen" where it occurs in the sixth line of section 2, and insert in lieu thereof the word "twelve," and strike out the word "four" where it occurs in the sixth line of section 5, and insert in lieu thereof the word "three."

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for the purpose,

With the recommendation that it do pass.

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

No. 350, S.,

A bill to regulate the transportation and burial of bodies of persons dead of contagious disease,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be severally concurred in.

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

No. 509, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged real estate,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 471, A.,

A bill to amend section 142 of sub-chapter 16, of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893,

With amendments as follows:

By inserting after the figures "1893" in the 2nd line of section 1 of the printed bill the following: "as amended by chapter 199 of the laws of 1895 and by chapter 138 of the laws of 1897."

Strike out the word "the" after the word "section" in the second line of said section and insert in place thereof the following: "in the sub-division thereof called section 142a, at the end thereof, the." After the word "city" and before the word "shall," in the eighth line of said section, insert the following: "as shown by the poll list at the next preceding general election."

And by striking out all of said section 1 after the word "held" in the ninth line of said section,

And with the recommendation that when so amended the same do pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Fish and Game, to whom was referred:

No. 325, S.,

A bill to protect farmers and others in the enjoyment of certain riparian rights,

With accompanying amendment proposed by the Judiciary committee,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back without recommendation.

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 377, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895, relating to fishways in dams,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

L. B. DRESSER,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 194, A.,

A bill to provide for the exemption of a homestead, and for setting off the same,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "of limitation of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

With amendment to title.

The proposed amendment to title of bill No. 373, A., is as follows:

Amend by inserting "and section 4231" after "4222" in the first line of said title, so that said title when so amended shall read: "A bill to amend section 4222 and section 4231 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings."

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The amendment to the title of No. 373, A.,
Was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,

For the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee

Jt. Res. No. 69, S.,

To have joint committee on Claims have lists printed of all bills that carry appropriations, whether reported back or now in hands of committee.

Has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 51, A.,

Permitting Mr. Hall to introduce a bill,

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin.

Has amended, and concurred in as amended,
No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of assembly, in
No. 76, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same,

No. 374, S.,

A bill to amend section 383a, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the printing of special reports of the regents of the Wisconsin university, and making an appropriation therefor.

And has concurred in
No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase and distribution of beet seed by the agricultural experiment station, in order to ascertain the districts in Wisconsin particularly adapted to the production of sugar from the beet root.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to committee on State Affairs.

Jt. Res. No. 69, S.,

Was laid over.

The senate amendment, to

No. 242, A.,

Was concurred in.

No. 76, S.,

Was placed on calendar in its regular order.

No. 374, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to committee on Education.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Railroads,

Mr. Clason moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which, being seconded,

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—82.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Flagg, Frink, Jensen and Sether—6.

Absent without leave—Messrs. Gawin, Krauss, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, Plummer, Smith D. K., Tucker, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—12.

The sergeant at arms was ordered to find and bring in the absentees.

Mr. Polacheck moved that further proceedings under call of the house be dispensed with.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative, and business was resumed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 70; noes, 11; absent or not voting, 19.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—70.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Clack, McGrath, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Reynolds, Sieker, Sweeting, Utt and Wolter—11.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, Plummer, Sether, Smith D. K., Tucker, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—19.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute to bill No. 514, A.,

The ayes and noes being demanded, the amendment in form of a substitute was not adopted.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 6; noes, 73; absent or not voting, 21.

Ayes—Messrs. Cashin, Hoyt, Hurd, McGrath, Taylor and Thomas—6.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith, J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—73.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, Plummer, Sether, Smith D. K., Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, Wolff, Wolfinger and Yorkey—21.

The question being upon the engrossment and third reading,

The ayes and noes being demanded, bill No. 514, A., was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 47; noes, 34, absent or not voting, 19.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hughes, Legried, Lewis, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Ray, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith J. J., Thomas, Treat, True, Utt, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—47.

Noes—Messrs. Beach, Clack, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Fogo, Hinds, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Latta, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Pratt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Webster and Woller—34.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, Plummer, Sether, Smith D. K., Tucker, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—19.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Privileges and Elections, to

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 12 and 13 of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to securing secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Privileges and Elections, to

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled. "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

With an amendment offered by Mr. Marsh,

Was re-committed to the committee on Claims.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 644, A.,

A bill relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor,

Was adopted.

Mr. Wipperman offered the following amendment, to bill No. 644, A.

Amend by striking out the words "shall be deemed guilty of murder in the first degree and," where they occur in the sixth line of section 1 of the printed bill,

Which was adopted.

No. 644, A., as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 609, A.,

A bill relating to the release of options and the discharge of the same.

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment in the form of a substitute offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize the state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menomonee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Marsh moved that

No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof,

Be laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

On a division of the house,

The motion was carried.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Lewis offered an amendment in the form of a substitute, to

No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

No. 605, A., with amendment in form of a substitute,

Was laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Rosenkrans,

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895,

Was laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

No, 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on State Affairs, to No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr Flett,

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

Was laid over until tomorrow in its regular order.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

Was adopted.

On a division of the house,

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
No. 163, A.,

A bill to provide for the equipment and furnishing of the state historical library building and making an appropriation therefor.

Was laid over until next Wednesday in its regular order.

Mr. Legried moved that No. 230, A., be laid over until next Tuesday, in its regular order,

Which motion was lost.

No. 230, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard,

No. 405, A.,

A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 300 of the general laws of 1895, and to provide for the distribution of copies of bills to county clerks and the filing and preservation of same,

No. 326, A.,

A bill to regulate the rate of rental to be charged by telephone companies in cities of the second and third classes,

No. 377, A.,

A bill to provide for enlarging and equipment of the state historical library building and extending the tax levy therefor,

No. 594, A.,

A bill for the protection of the public health by providing for the inspection of cattle, sheep and swine slaughtered, or to be slaughtered for human food,

No. 634, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 167 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health."

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Minch moved that

No. 506, A.,

A bill to prevent the granting of any license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within a half mile of the state university, normal schools or high schools,

Be laid over until next Wednesday, in its regular order,

Which motion was lost

On a division of the house.

Mr. Sieker offered an amendment to the substitute for bill No. 506, A., as follows:

Insert after the word "university" where it occurs in the 3rd line the following, "and also the state capitol,"

Which was adopted.

The substitute, as amended,

Was, on division of the house,

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The vote by which the amended substitute to bill No. 506, A., was adopted.

Was reconsidered.

Mr. Buffington offered the following amendment:

In place of the words "the center of the main buildings of the state university," insert the words "the boundary line of the campus occupied by the buildings of the university of Wisconsin,"

Which was adopted.

The substitute, as amended,

Was adopted, and

No. 506, A., as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Eaton offered an amendment in the form of a substitute, to No. 142, A.,

A bill to authorize the building of viaducts across gullies, running streams or railroad tracks by counties in this state, and for the issuing of county bonds therefor,

Mr. Hoyt moved to re-commit the bill and substitute to the committee on Roads and Bridges,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Anson offered an amendment as follows:

Section seven (7) of the substitute bill for bill number 142, A., is hereby amended, by adding to the end thereof the following clause:

"And provided further, that no bonds shall be issued under the provisions of this act prior to the first day of May, A. D. 1898."

On motion of Mr. Feige,

The proposed amendments, to

No. 142, A.,

Were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Nos. 110 and 111, A.,

Were made a special order of business for next Tuesday at 8 o'clock p m.

Mr. Ray moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until next Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Webster moved that when the assembly adjourns it be until to-morrow at 9 o'clock a. m..

Which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

The assembly adjourned.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1897,
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Borchenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkraus, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—71.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Burnham, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodel, Jensen, Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Merriman, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Tucker, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller and Wolter—29.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Cashin after this session until next Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Marsh,

Leave of absence for this session was granted to all absent members.

The journal of Friday was approved.

Mr. Treat moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until next Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.,
Which motion was carried.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Hall:

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 14 of section 1410a, relating to the sale of poisons.

To committee on Public Health and Sanitation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and that when so amended, the bill do pass.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend section one of the printed bill by striking out the word "an," where it occurs at the end of the second line of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the word "the." Further amend by striking out the word "verified," where it occurs in the fifth line of section one of the printed bill and insert in lieu thereof the word "varied." Further amend by striking out the word "under" where it first occurs in the sixteenth line of section one of the printed bill, and insert in lieu thereof the word "opposite." Amend further by inserting the word "the" between the words "ballot" and "voter" in the twenty-third line of section one of the printed bill. Amend further by striking out all of section one after the period in the sixtieth line thereof and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The compensation to be paid for all publications of such notice shall be the amount hereinafter specified and no more, for a general election in weekly newspapers one hundred and twenty dollars and daily newspapers two hundred and forty dollars. Of a

judicial election, in weekly newspapers twenty-five dollars, and in daily newspapers, fifty dollars; a municipal election, in weekly newspapers thirty-five dollars, and daily newspapers seventy dollars, which shall cover all insertions required under this act."

Amend further by adding in the fifty-fourth line of the printed bill after the word "candidates" the following: "substantially in the following form set in columns with or without rule work:"

Office.	Democrat.	Populist.	Republican.	Individual Nominations.
Governor	A. B.....	B. C.....	C. D.....	D. E.
Lieut-Governor...	E. F	F. G.....	G. H.....	H. I.

Amend by adding a new section No. 2, as follows: All acts or parts of acts, so far as they are inconsistent with the above, are hereby repealed.

Further amend by numbering section 2 section 3.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 69, S.,

To have joint committee on Claims have lists printed of all bills that carry appropriations, whether reported back or now in hands of committee.

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend section 4222 and section 4231 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

Were severally read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,
The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 194, A., was passed.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,
No. 194, A.,

Was laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

No. 217, S.,

A bill relating to reassessment of invalid special taxes and assessments, and to provide for payment of taxes based on such reassessments,

No. 32, S.,

A bill relative to establishing free public libraries in cities, villages and towns,

No. 367, S.,

A bill authorizing the State Historical Society to sell and convey certain real estate,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 42, S.,

Authorizing the commissioners appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to use the unexpended balance in erecting a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga,

The ayes and noes being required, the joint resolution was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 64; noes, none; absent or not voting, 36.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—64.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Burnham, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Maertz, Merri-man, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Thomas, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller and Wolter—36.

No. 194, S.,

A bill to amend section 371 of the annotated statutes as amended by chapter 136 of the laws of 1895, relating to the state library,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 59; noes, none; absent or not voting, 41.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clason, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Wipperman, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—59.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Burnham, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, Mosher, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Yorkey—41.

No. 235, S.,

A bill to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the state historical library building, and extending the tax levy therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 56; noes, 10; absent or not voting, 34.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Clark, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hoyt, Hughes, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Seiker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster, Wipperman, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—56.

Noes—Messrs. Edwards, Hogan, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Mosher, Olson, Polley and Sheffer—10.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Burnham, Church, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Lange, Maertz,

Merriman, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller and Wolter—34.

No. 368, S.,

A bill designating the 7th day of June, 1898, as a public holiday, authorizing the governor to secure an official observance thereof, and appropriating a sum of money sufficient therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 54; noes, 10; absent or not voting, 36.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Buttlers, Clark, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hurd, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Ray, Reinnoldt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, True, Utt, Webster, Wipperman, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—54.

Noes—Messrs. Borchsenius, Cashin, Edwards, Hoyt, Hughes, Legried, Pratt, Risum, Treat and Yorkey—10.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Church, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Merriman, Mosher, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Staples, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller and Wolter—36.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 76, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same,

No. 350, S.,

A bill to regulate the transportation and burial of bodies of persons dead of contagious disease,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

No. 59, S.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of laws of 1895, relating to terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the workhouse of any county or counties,

No. 286, S.,

A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of this state,

Were severally refused a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 325, S.,

A bill to protect farmers and others in the enjoyment of certain riparian rights,

Was not adopted.

Mr. Pierce moved that bill No. 325, S., be laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order,

Which motion was lost.

Bill No. 325, S., was refused a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on
No. 324, S.,

A bill to authorize Mitland H. Wilcox to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a spring brook in Dunn county, Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Rutherford moved that

No. 377, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895, relating to fishways in dams,

Be laid over until next Wednesday in its regular order,

Which motion was lost.

No. 377, S.,

Was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Flett asked leave to withdraw the amendment offered by Mr. Buckstaff on April 1st, to

No. 161, S.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of street railways,

Which was granted.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to

No. 161, S.,

Was adopted.

No. 161, S., as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Polley,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 161, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Polley,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 506, A., was yesterday ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Polley,

The vote was reconsidered by which the substitute to bill No. 506, A., was yesterday adopted.

On motion of Mr. Polley,

The vote was reconsidered by which the amendment to bill No. 506, A., offered yesterday by Mr. Sieker, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. McGrath,

No. 506, A.,

Was laid over for further consideration until next Tuesday in its regular order.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Education, to

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

Was laid over until next Wednesday in its regular order.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

Was not adopted.

Mr. Wheeler moved that the vote by which the amendment to No. 390, A., was not adopted,

Be reconsidered,

Which motion was carried.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to No. 390, A.,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

No. 647, A.,

A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington statues of General Lucius Fairchild and General Jeremiah M. Rusk, being a substitute for bills Nos. 159, A., and 197, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 413, A.,

A bill to appropriate to the attorney general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named,

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for the purpose,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

Was laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order.

Mr. Overbeck moved that

No. 509, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged real estate,

Be laid over until next Tuesday in its regular order,

Which motion was lost.

No. 509, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Corporations, to

No. 593, A.,

A bill relating to the regulating of trade and commerce in the state of Wisconsin,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 55, A.,

A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named,

No. 231, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 150 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals,

No. 389, A.,

A bill relating to assessments, and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes,"

No. 415, A.,

A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney general,

No. 643, A.,

A bill relating to trade, department stores and commerce in the state of Wisconsin,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 471, A.,

A bill to amend section 142 of sub-chapter 16, of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893,

Was not adopted.

The bill was refused engrossment and third reading.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,

The assembly adjourned.

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 1897.
8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Lyon offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—78.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Barnum, Cashin, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hindes, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Thompson, Webster, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Woller—22.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Merrill until next Wednesday.

To Mr. Hurlbut after this session until next Wednesday.

To Messrs. Hindes, Edwards, Dresser, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Schellenberg, D. K. Smith, Thompson, Webster, Cashin and Wolfinger for this session.

The journal of Saturday was approved.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in assembly at close of session, Saturday, April 10, 1897.

Whole number of bills introduced in assembly, 653.

COMMITTEES.	Assembly bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Senate bills re- ferred and re- referred.	Re- ported.	Now in com- mittee.
Judiciary	207	54	261	
Assessment and Collection of Taxes	69	7	72	4
Agriculture	23	2	23	2
Cities	55	13	63	5
Corporations	27	4	28	3
Dairy and Food	7	1	8	
Education	26	18	41	3
Finance, Banks and Insurance	17	11	18	10
Federal Relations	11	1	12	
Legislative Expenditures	1	2	2	1
Lumber and Mining	10	7	16	1
Manufactures	8	1	9	
Military Affairs	6	3	9	
Public Lands	4		4	
Public Health and Sanitation	25	6	26	5
Public Improvements		1		1
Privileges and Elections	18	6	20	4
Railroads	19	1	15	5
Roads and Bridges	20	3	20	3
State Affairs	62	16	75	3
Town and County Organization	53	5	57	1
Ways and Means	14		13	1
Claims	56		48	8
Charitable and Penal Institutions	20		17	3
Fish and Game	6	5	8	3
Printing	4	1	4	1
Totals	768	168	869	67
Bills re-referred	115	9		
Total number bills	653	159		

Recapitulation.

Assembly bills introduced and referred	653	....
Assembly bills re-referred	115	....
Senate bills received and referred	159	....
Senate bills re-referred	9	....
Bills reported		869
Bills now in committee		67
	936	936

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee	44	....
Indefinitely postponed	338	....
Passed assembly	218	....
Concurred in by senate		139
Non-concurred in by senate		11
Pending in senate		68
Bills pending—not ready for passage	53	....
	653	218

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Jt. Res. No. 54, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Eaton be and he hereby is authorized to introduce a bill providing for the collection and return of taxes in villages of this state in certain cases.

Was adopted.

By Mr. Mosher:

Jt. Res. No. 55, A.,

WHEREAS, The present methods of ventilation of the assembly chamber are incomplete, out of date and in the highest degree unsatisfactory and dangerous to the health of the members of that body, and

WHEREAS, Owing to the faulty construction of said chamber it is only by great effort that the different members are able to make themselves heard, and

WHEREAS, In the discussion of public questions it is necessary that every opportunity be afforded for a full and complete understanding of the different questions under debate; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the governor be and is hereby authorized to adopt such measures as may be necessary to cure the defects in ventilation and acoustic properties of said chamber.

Was referred to committee on Public Improvements.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

Jt. Res. No. 56, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Hurlbut be permitted to introduce a bill repealing chapter 78 of the laws of the present session, entitled, "An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county."

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred:

By Mr. Thomas:

No. 654, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Hickland.

To committee on Town and County Organization.

By Mr. Eaton:

No. 655, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection and return of taxes in the villages of this state in certain cases.

To committee on Judiciary.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, April 12, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Aseembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 399, originating in the assembly.

This bill attempts a sub-classification of cities, which leaves it open to the same objection of being special legislation, to which attention was called in the return to your honorable body, without approval, of bill No. 63, A., under date of March 15.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

The question being, Shall bill No. 399, A., pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor,

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative and the veto of the governor sustained.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 69; absent or not voting, 31.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—69.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Buffington, Bullard, Cashin, Davidson, Dresser, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Harvey, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Minch, Morgan, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Thompson, Webster, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Woller—31.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof :

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in Jt. Res. No. 54, A.,

Resolution authorizing Assemblyman Eaton to introduce a bill providing for collection and return of taxes in villages of this state in certain cases.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Res. No. 37, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, That all committees of the assembly be required to report all bills and resolutions in the hands of such committees on or before Monday evening, April 14,

Was, on motion of Mr. Stone,

Laid over until to-morrow night in its regular order.

Mr. Goodell moved that the vote be reconsidered by which bill No. 647, A., was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Clason moved that the motion of Mr. Goodell be laid on the table.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative, and the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 46; noes, 28; absent or not voting, 26.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clark, Clason, Connors, Flagg, Frink, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, Marsh, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sether, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Treat, Utt, Welch, Wheeler and Wolff—46.

Noes—Messrs. Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Church, Clack, Eaton, Feige, Goodell, Hughes, Krauss, Legried, Merriman, McDonald, Niss, Pierce, Plummer, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Thomas, True, Tucker, White, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—28.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Buffington, Cashin, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hindes, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Minch, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Thompson, Webster, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Woller—26.

Mr. Flagg moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which motion was not seconded.

Mr. True moved that the vote be reconsidered by which bill No. 415, A., was indefinitely postponed,
Which motion was lost.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 76, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same,

Was, on motion of Mr. Tucker,

Laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

No. 324, S.,

A bill to authorize Matland H. Wilcox to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a spring brook in Dunn county, Wisconsin,

No. 350, S.,

A bill to regulate the transportation and burial of bodies of persons dead of contagious disease,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 377, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895, relating to fishways in dams,

Was read a third time and concurred in on a division of the house.

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

Mr. Overbeck offered an amendment, to which, objection being made, it

Was not received.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 45; noes, 28, absent or not voting, 27.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clark, Feige, Goodell, Hall, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Latta, Legried, Marsh, McDonald, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Stanley, Stone, Taylor, True, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White and Mr. Speaker—45.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Clack, Connors, Flagg, Frink, Harvey, Hughes, Krauss, Lange, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Overbeck, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Sweeting, Treat, Utt, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—28.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Cashin, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hindes, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Sether, Thomas Thompson, Webster, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Woller—27.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

On motion of Mr. Latta,

Was re-referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,
The assembly adjourned.

68--A. J.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Lyon offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polachek, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Dresser, Gawin, Hurlbut, Klabunde, Maertz, Merrill, Sether, Webster and Woifinger—10.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Buffington after this session until Thursday.

The journal of Monday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Lewis:

Pet. No. 1208, A.,

Memorial from Friend Bros'. Clothing Co., John C. Spencer, president Merchants and Manufacturers' association, and other business houses of Milwaukee, in favor of the passage of bill No. 605, A.

Was placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Flett:

Jt. Res. No. 57, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Burnham be and he is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to the improvement of boulevards and pleasure ways for the purpose of correcting the phraseology which was not approved by the governor in bill No. 399, A., in which cities of the first class were erroneously described as cities of 100,000 inhabitants and over.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred:

By Mr. Bullard:

No. 656, A.,

A bill authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages and the inhabitants thereof for certain purposes.

To committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the assessment of bank stock,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment, and verbal corrections.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend by inserting after the word "amended," in the fourth line of section 1, of the engrossed bill, the words, "by inserting after the words 'upon the demand of the assessor' in section 1 of said chapter 1051, the words 'of any town in the county,' and after the word 'bank,' in same section, the words, 'in said county,' and further."

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The amendment to bill No. 280, A., with the verbal corrections. was adopted.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 5, 12, 13, 18 and 64, and to add a new section numbered 74a of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 524 A.,

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 609, A.

A bill to amend section 2252 of the revised statutes relating to the discharge of mortgages and options of record by an order of court,

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize a sewer commission to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menomonee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

No. 652, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 290, 474, 275, 609, 628, and 652, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 316, A.,

A bill to provide for use of water in public highways,

No. 536, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc for the western municipal district of the county of Waukesha,"

No. 633, A.,

A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad," where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable,"

Have examined same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, April 12, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills, originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 421, A.,

An act to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy Cemetery Association, of the city of Elroy, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery,

No. 65, A.,

An act to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities of the first class,

No. 532, A.,

An act to amend chapter 326 of the laws 1895, entitled, "An act to amend and enlarge the charter of Nashotah House, created by an act of the territorial legislature, approved February 4, 1847,"

No. 71, A.,

An act to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin,

No. 144 A.,

An act amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named;" approved April 9, 1885,

No. 307, A.

An act authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin, No. 232, A.,

An act to repeal chapter 101, of the laws of 1895, authorizing Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 441, A.,

An act to amend chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane,

No. 23, A.,

An act to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government,"

No. 519, A.,

An act to amend chapter 224, of the laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit,

No. 253, A.,

An act to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1880, relating to recovery where tax title is defective,

No. 158, A.,

An act to authorize Ira A. Fuller, his heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota,

No. 123, A.,

An act for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin,

No. 631, A.,

An act to authorize the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery Association, of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, to sell and convey real estate,

No. 81, A.,

An act to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes,"

No. 98, A.,

An act to provide for making the office of register of deeds a salaried office,

No. 213, A.,

An act to provide against the adulteration of foods and drugs,

No. 632, A.,

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases,

No. 513, A.,

An act to amend section 176, of chapter 326, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893,"

No. 402, A.,

An act to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library,

No. 403, A.,

An act to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein,

No. 315, A.,

An act to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies,

No. 425, A.,

An act to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit,

No. 642, A.,

An act to amend chapter 341 of the laws of 1889, and relating to elections in villages,

No. 321, A.,

An act to authorize the building of a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan and maintain a boom in said waters,

No. 296, A.,

An act authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction,

No. 133, A.,

An act to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora,

No. 130, A.,

An act to prohibit pool-selling and the receiving and transmitting of debts

No. 126, A.,

An act to establish and provide for a Northern Wisconsin State Fair to be held at Chippewa Falls,

No. 217, A.,

An act to authorize William Fellows, his associates and assigns, to construct and maintain dams on the Rat river in Forest county,

No. 85, A.,

An act to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin Industrial School for Girls,"

No. 380, A.,

An act to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to remunerate him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature,

No. 17, A.,

An act to provide for the distribution of the blue book and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 264, A.,

An act to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities,"

No. 276, A.,

An act to protect fish in Lake de Neveu, in the county of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin,

No. 635, A.,

An act to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions,

No. 236, A.,

An act to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes, relating to lands sold for taxes,

No. 633, A.,

An act to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable,"

No. 79, A.,

An act to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin,

No. 278, A.,

An act to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin,

No. 558, A.,

An act to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for the county of Langlade,

No. 205, A.,

An act to regulate the duties of registrars of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with them of marriage certificates,

No. 432, A.,

An act to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the "chain of lakes," navigable lakes and public highways, and to regulate the running of vessels thereon.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 56, A.,

To authorize Mr. Hurlbut to introduce a bill.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 70, S.,

Authorizing Senator Thayer to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in the assembly amendment, to

No. 200, S.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 291, laws of 1880, entitled "An act relating to the equalization of assessments."

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 53, A.,

To permit Mr. Bullard to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 161, S.,

A bill to provide for the payment of license by street railway and electric companies within the state of Wisconsin.

And has concurred in

No. 176, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 293 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

No. 596, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846."

Has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, "An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877, and chapter 238, laws of 1883."

And has non-concurred in

No. 449, A.,

A bill to amend section 3534, chapter 152, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "Of the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement,"

No. 470, A.,

A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, newspapers, pictures, images and written or printed matter, and for issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 515, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 164, laws of 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 70, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to bill

No. 456, A.,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

Was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

No. 76, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same,

Was re-referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 439, A.,

A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895,

Mr. D. K. Smith moved that bill No. 439, A., be re-referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes,

Which motion was lost.

No. 439, A.,

Was indefinitely postponed.

The assembly refused to indefinitely postpone

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

The amendment to No. 443, A., reported by the committee on State Affairs,

Was adopted,

And the bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Clack moved that the amendment offered by Mr. Sieker on April 9th, to

No. 506, A.,

A bill to prevent the granting of any license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within a half mile of the state university, normal schools or high schools,

Be laid on the table.

Which motion was carried, and the amendment, with the bill, so disposed of.

No. 605, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

Mr. Lewis introduced a petition and memorial favoring the passage of bill No. 605, A., and asked for the reading of the same with names attached thereto.

Mr. Peterson moved that such reading be dispensed with,
Which motion was carried.

Mr. Frink moved that the vote be reconsidered by which the motion of Mr. Peterson was carried,
Which motion was lost.

Mr. Bullard moved that the petition with names, and the names only on the memorial be read, as introduced by Mr. Lewis.

On a point of order being raised by Mr. Barnum that the signatures were part of the memorial, and sustained by the chair, the motion of Mr. Bullard was not considered.

Mr. Fogo moved that the assembly take a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.,
Which motion was lost.

On motion Mr. Taylor,
No. 605, A.,
Was laid on the table.

The several amendments offered to
No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof,

Were adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Wylie,
The rules, by unanimous consent, were suspended, and
No. 637, A.,
Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,
No. 289, A.,
Was re-referred to the committee on Cities.

On motion of Mr. Wipperman,
No. 524, A.,
Was re-referred to the committee of Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Hurd,
The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and placed on the calendar.

By joint committee on Claims:

No. 658, A., (Substitute for bill No. 220, A., and amended title thereof, and to No. 472, A.)

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 220, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain all damages which any person has suffered and sustained by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221, laws of 1895, as printed and published in session laws for 1895, and to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to pay said commissioners and expenses of such commission and to pay the damages and injuries suffered and sustained by such persons,

No. 472, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221, laws of 1895,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same by a substitute and recommend the passage of such substitute.

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from 16 to 25 years,

With an amendment, and recommend that when so amended that it do pass.

No. 480, A.,

A bill to provide for the acquisition by the state of Wisconsin of the title to certain lands therein described, to appropriate the same to public use as an inter-state park, and to make an appropriation to pay the owners thereof such compensation as may be awarded them under the provisions of chapter 315 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, or of this act,

No. 538, A.,

A bill to pay a sum of money named therein to C. W. Anderson and L. L. Maliquise, of Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., by reason of the unlawful destruction of their fishing nets by the state game warden and his deputies.

No. 569, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to E. R. Cushman for damages sustained by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221, laws of 1895,

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

With the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

The proposed amendment to bill No. 183, A., is as follows:

"Amend section 18 by striking out the words "one hundred and twenty-five" where they occur in the third and fourth lines of said section and insert in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five."

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:

No. 287, S.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

Bill No. 287, S., was so referred.

The committee on Manufactures, to whom was referred:

No. 535, A.,

A bill relating to the exemptions of earnings,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

J. C. MARSH,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 309, S.,

A bill to provide for the control and suppression of contagious and infectious diseases,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 655, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection and return of taxes in the villages of this state in certain cases,

No. 656, A.,

A bill authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages, and the inhabitants thereof, for certain purposes,

With the recommendation that the same do severally pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Fish and Game, to whom was referred:

No. 76, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

The committee asks leave to introduce bill

No. 657, A.,

A bill to regulate the pursuit and taking of wild fowl,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

J. C. MARSH,
Chairman pro tem. Assembly.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,

For the appropriation of a battleship fund and the appointment of a committee,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Lumber and Mining, to whom was referred:
No. 352, S.,

A bill to authorize Kirby Thomas, N. B. Arnold, and A. R. Mills, their associates and assigns, to maintain a dam or dams and other improvements in the Middle river, for handling logs and other purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

A. R. HALL,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 654, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Strickland,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section five by adding at the end of said section, the following:

"And notice of said town meeting shall be posted by E. L. Everts in three public places in said town of Strickland at least 8 days before the time of holding said meeting.

J. J. SMITH,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 14 of section 1410a, relating to the sale of poison,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 53, A.,

A bill to provide for the registration of physicians, surgeons, midwives, and all others engaged in treating persons afflicted with disease,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

JESSE A. CLASON,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Improvements, to whom was referred:
No. 353, S.,

A bill to provide for securing adequate fire protection for the capitol building and necessary facilities for sprinkling the capitol park, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 55, A.,

Authorizing the governor to cure defects in ventilation and acoustic properties of the assembly chamber,

With recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

WM. F. SIEKER,
Chairman.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in connection with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menomonee river,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 173, S.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 1291 of chapter 52 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 127 of the laws of 1893,

With recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 27, A.,

A bill providing for the election of town road overseers, the payment of the town tax in work or in money and the survey and care of the roads,

With recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways, amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 205 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'an act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885, entitled an act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to highways and bridges,' "

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be re-referred to committee on Judiciary.

J. O. DAVIDSON,
Chairman.

Bill No. 627, A., was so referred.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 395, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the first class to fix the salary of the city engineer,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relative to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

With amendments, and recommend that it do pass, when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend section 1 by inserting after the word "plumbing" in the second line of the printed bill the words "in cities of the first, second and third class."

Amend section 3 by striking out the words "and in each town of ten thousand inhabitants or more and in each town" where they appear after the word "city" in the first line and before the word "having" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the words "of the first, second and third class;" also amend by striking out the words "or towns" where they appear after the word "city" in the fourth line and by striking out the words "or town" where they appear after the word "city" in the fifth line, eighth line and eleventh line respectively.

Amend section 4 by striking cut the words "or town," where they appear after the word "city," in the eighth line, and by

striking out the words "or towns," where they appear after the word "city," in the fourteenth line.

Amend section 5 by striking out the words "or town" where they appear after the word "city" in the second line, and by striking out the words "or towns" where they appear after the word "city" in the seventh line.

Amend section 6 by striking out the words "and town of ten thousand inhabitants or more in this state," where they appear after the word "city" in the first line, and inserting in place thereof the words "of the first, second and third class" ; also strike out the words "and every town" where they appear in the second line, and strike out the words "or town" where they appear after the word "city" in the seventh line, ninth line and twelfth line respectively.

Amend section 7 by inserting in the second line after the word "and" where it first appears in said line, the words "upon conviction thereof shall."

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 609, A.,

A bill to amend section 2252 of the revised statutes relating to the discharge of mortgages and options of record by an order of court,

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize a sewer commission to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage for the Menominee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

With verbal corrections.

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 5, 12, 13, 18 and 64, and to add a new section numbered 74a, of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to the general elections, conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

With amendments to titles.

The proposed amendments to title of bills Nos. 290 and 275, A., are as follows:

Amendment to No. 290, A.,

Amend title by striking out the words "and defining their duties and fixing their compensation" where they appear at the end of said title so that said title when so amended shall read as follows:

"Relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes."

Amendment to No. 275, A.,

Amend the title by striking out the words "a new section numbered 74a" where they occur in lines 2 and 3 of said title and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two new sections numbered 34a and 74a."

CHRIS. ACKERMANN,
Chairman pro tem.

The proposed amendments to titles of bills Nos. 275 and 290, A., as recommended by the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading,

Were adopted.

The verbal corrections as recommended by the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading,

Were adopted.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

No. 644, A.,

A bill to amend section 4342 of the revised statutes, relating to the wrecking of railroad trains and providing a punishment,

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin,

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations,

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for the purpose,

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills No. 376, 390, 514, 644, 648, 649, 102 and 539, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 611, A.,

A bill to authorize and empower all cities of the first class and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

No. 423, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 258 of the laws of 1883,' entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating moneys therefor,' "

No. 368, A.,

A bill providing for the purchase and distribution of beet seed by the agricultural experiment station, in order to ascertain the districts in Wisconsin particularly adapted to the production of sugar from the beet root,

No. 61, A.,

A bill relating to the improvement and payment for improvements on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first class,

No. 242, A.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission,

No. 235, A.,

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 613, A.,

A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary,

No. 338, A.,

A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

No. 76, S.,

A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 79; noes, none; absent or not voting, 21.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—79.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buffington, Cashin, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Hurlbut, Maertz, Merrill, Olson, Parker, Pierce, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Sether, Staples, Webster, Wipperman and Wolfinger—21.

No. 657, A.,

A bill to regulate the pursuit and taking of wild fowl,
Introduced by the joint committee on Fish and Game,
Was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,
The rules were suspended, and

No. 657, A.,
Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hall,
The rules were suspended, and
No. 655, A.,
Was read a third time and passed.

SPECIAL ORDER.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

Res. No. 37, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, That all committees of the assembly be required to report all bills and resolutions in the hands of such committees on or before Wednesday evening, April 14,

Was laid over until to-morrow night.

On motion of Mr. True,
The rule limiting speeches to five minutes duration, was suspended for this session.

Mr. Sweeting moved a

CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which motion was not seconded.

The question being upon indefinite postponement, of
No. 110, A.,

A bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners, prescribe their qualifications, fix their salaries, and for the appointment of a secretary for such board and to fix his salary,

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 69; noes, 7; absent or not voting, 24.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—69.

Noes—Messrs. Bechtel, Davidson, Edwards, Goodell, Hall, McDonald and Wolff—7.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Buffington, Cashin, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Frink, Gawin, Hurlbut, Maertz, Merrill, Olson, Pierce, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Shellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Webster, Wolfinger and Wolter—24.

No. 111, A.,

A bill to regulate railway corporations and other common carriers in this state and to define the powers and duties of the board of railway commissioners in relation to the same, and to prevent and punish extortion and unjust discriminations in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state, and to prescribe the mode of pro-

cedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to repeal all laws in force in direct conflict with the provisions of this act,
Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Clack,
The assembly adjourned till 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 1897,
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Lyon offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Buffington, Cashin, Eaton, Schellenberg, Sether, Staples and Wolfinger—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Schellenberg and Wolfinger for this session.

Mr. Lange moved that the assembly take a recess until 10 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was lost.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Latta:

Jt. Res. No. 58, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the superintendent of public property be and hereby is instructed to furnish and deliver a copy of Vol. 1, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes to Mr. Hogan, and a copy of Vol. 2, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, to Mr. Eaton, and also both volumes of same to each of the following members: D. K. Smith, Wynn Edwards and O. F. Minch, to replace the statutes stolen from their desks in the assembly chamber.

Was adopted.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By Mr. Hurlbut:

No. 659, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 78, of the laws of 1897, entitled, "An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county."

To committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Burnham:

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving boulevards or pleasure ways.

To committee on Judiciary.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in assembly amendments, to

No. 203, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor,

No. 324, S.,

A bill to authorize Maitland H. Wilcox to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a spring brook in Dunn county, Wisconsin,

No. 368, S.,

A bill designating the 7th day of June, 1898, as a public holiday, authorizing the governor to secure an official observance thereof, and appropriating a sum of money sufficient therefor.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 71, S.,

Permitting Senator Mills to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the State Historical Society, and amendatory of sub-section 8, section 376, of the revised statutes,

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to the practice of pharmacy,"

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges of this state,

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 112, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 181 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 61 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county."

And has amended, and concurred in as amended

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds, and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities, and amendatory of section 946 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 336 of the laws of 1895.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 134, S.,

A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and the appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof,

No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill,

No. 207, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones,

No. 219, S.,

A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other service,

No. 237, S.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money for additional room and improvements at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home,

No. 338, S.,

A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 380, S.,

A bill to regulate casualty insurance and suretyship corporations.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 57, S.,

Permitting Mr. Burnham to introduce a bill.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 72, S.,

Permitting Senator Welton to introduce a bill,

Jt. Res. No. 73, S.,

To permit Senator Devos to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 71, S.,

Was non-concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 72, S.,

Was concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 73, S.,

Was concurred in.

Action on the senate amendments, to
No. 440, A.,
Was deferred until tomorrow.
The senate amendment, to
No. 542, A.,
Was concurred in.
The senate amendment, to
No. 562, A.,
Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

Nos. 169, S., 207, S., and 219, S.,
To committee on Judiciary.
No. 134, S.,
To committee on State Affairs,
No. 237, S.,
To committee on Military Affairs.
No. 380, S.,
To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.
No. 338, S.,
To committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Ray,
No. 313, A.,
Was taken from the table and placed on the calendar for tomorrow in its regular order.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 12 and 13 of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to securing secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the assessment of bank stock,

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 609, A.,

A bill relating to the release of options and the discharge of the same,

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize a sewer commission to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menomonee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,

For the appropriation of a battleship fund and the appointment of a committee,

No. 173, S.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 1291 of chapter 52 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 127 of the laws of 1893,

No. 352, S.,

A bill to authorize Kirby Thomas, N. B. Arnold, and A. R. Mills, their associates or assigns, to maintain dam or dams and other improvements in the Middle river, for handling logs and other purposes,

No. 353, S.,

A bill to provide for securing adequate fire protection for the capitol building and necessary facilities for sprinkling the capitol park, and making an appropriation therefor,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

No. 309, S.,

A bill to provide for the control and suppression of contagious and infectious diseases,

Was refused a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in connection with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menomonee river,

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 14 of section 1410a, relating to the sale of poison,

No. 656, A.,

A bill authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages, and the inhabitants thereof, for certain purposes,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 656, A., was read a third time and passed.

The amendments offered by the committees on Charitable and Penal Institutions and on Claims, to

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from 16 to 25 years,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 218, A.,

Was not adopted, on a division of the house.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time, on a division of the house.

On motion of Mr. Marsh,

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

Was re-referred to the committee on Claims.

The amendment offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 654, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Strickland,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 654, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

The amendments offered by the committee on Cities, to
No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

Were adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Jt. Res. No. 55, A.,

Authorizing the governor to cure defects in ventilation and acoustic properties of the assembly chamber,

No. 27, A.,

A bill providing for the election of town road overseers, the payment of the town tax in work or in money and the survey and care of the roads,

No. 53, A.,

A bill to provide for the registration of physicians, surgeons, midwives, and all others engaged in treating persons afflicted with disease,

No. 163, A.,

A bill to provide for the equipment and furnishing of the state historical library building and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 194, A.,

A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin, and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens,

No. 395, A.,

A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the first class to fix the salary of the city engineer,

No. 480, A.,

A bill to provide for the acquisition by the state of Wisconsin of the title to certain lands therein described, to appropriate the same to public use as an inter-state park, and to make an appropriation to pay the owners thereof such compensation as may be awarded them under the provisions of chapter 315 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, or of this act,

No. 535, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the extension of earnings,

No. 538, A.,

A bill to pay a sum of money named therein to C. W. Anderson and L. L. Maliquise, of Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., by reason of the unlawful destruction of their fishing nets by the state game warden and his deputies,

No. 569, A.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named

to E. R. Cushman for damages sustained by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221, laws of 1895,
Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,
The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 107, S.,

A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in cities of the second and third class,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments and recommend that it be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend substitute No. 107, S., by striking out after the word "after" in the first line of section 2 the words, "the first Monday in May, 1897, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "this act goes into effect," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows:

Section 2. After this act goes into effect no person shall be appointed to any position, either on the police force or on the fire department in any such city, except with the approval of the board.

Amend by striking out section 6, and substituting the following:

Section 6. Whenever the term of office of any chief of police or chief engineer of a fire department, or other officer performing the duties of chief of police or chief engineer, by whatever name designated, heretofore appointed or elected in any city sub-

ject to the provisions of this act, shall expire after this act goes into effect and before the board of police and fire commissioners shall have adopted the necessary rules and regulations with reference to the appointment of police officers and members of fire departments herein referred to, or when any such officer is holding over at the time this act goes into effect, such chief of police or chief engineer or other officer performing the duties of chief of police or chief engineer, shall hold his respective office until his successor shall have been duly appointed in accordance with the rules and regulations of said board of police and fire commissioners; and when the said chief of police or chief engineer of a fire department, or other officer performing the duties of chief of police or chief engineer, by whatever name designated, has been so appointed, he shall hold his position during good behavior, subject to suspension and removal as herein provided.

Amend by striking out section 9 and substituting the following:

Section 9. The chief of police or chief engineer of a fire department, or other officer performing the duties of chief of police or chief engineer, under whatever name designated, shall be subject to suspension from office, for cause, by the board at any time. Every other officer or member of either department shall be subject to suspension, for cause, by the chief of the department, who shall certify the cause for such suspension to the board. Any officer or member so suspended shall thereupon cease to exercise the functions of his office until he shall be reinstated. In case of such suspension the board shall at once consider and examine the charge or charges against the officer or member suspended, giving the suspended officer or member opportunity to meet the charges and to be heard in his own defense. After hearing the matter the board shall determine whether the charges are sustained; if not, the officer or member shall be immediately reinstated; and if the charges are sustained, such board shall at once determine whether the good of the service requires that the suspended officer or member shall be removed from the office or employment, or shall be suspended temporarily, without pay. The decision of the board shall be final and conclusive in all cases.

Amend section 10 by striking out the word "office" in the fourth line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "place," by inserting after the word "officers" in the fourth line the words "or members," by inserting after the word "officer" in the fourth line the words "or member," by inserting after the word "officer" in line five the words "or member," by striking out after the word "by" in line five the words "all the members" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a majority," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows:

Section 10. The board shall have the power, and it shall be the duty of the board, when a majority of the members

thereof concur in the opinion that the good of the service of either of the departments aforesaid, will be subserved by the removal from place of either of the officers or members named in section 9, to remove such officer or member. In such cases the removal shall be made by a notice to the officer or member, signed by a majority of the board, and it shall not be necessary to state any cause for such removal.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment to the substitute bill, and recommend that when such substitute is amended that it do pass.

No. 591, A.,

A bill to continue an appropriation to the state university,
With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

The proposed amendment to No. 577, A., is as follows:

Amend section 7 of the substitute for No. 577, A., by striking out the word "fifteen" where it occurs in the fourteenth line of said section and insert in lieu thereof the word "three."

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 28, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263, laws of 1895, in relation to payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state,

No. 47, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 363, of the laws of 1895, relating to the payment of license of street railroad companies within the state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Corporations, to whom was referred:

No. 650, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposing of their garbage, and to erect crematories or other garbage reducing works thereon, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

No. 617, A.,

A bill to amend section 1688, chapter 79 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "the rates of interest," by adding thereto,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

And asks leave to introduce a bill herewith submitted, being

A bill to enable and authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposal of their garbage and to erect and acquire crematories and plants for the operation of the same, or other garbage reducing works and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

With the recommendation that the same do pass.

C. A. STANLEY,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 333, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 11, A.,

A bill to limit the amount of insurance money exempt, in case of insurance upon a homestead,

No. 416, A.,

A bill to prevent combinations between fire insurance companies, and providing penalties therefor,

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies,

No. 626, A.,

A bill regulating the issuance of license to insurance companies.

No. 622, A.,

A bill to revise and codify the laws in relation to savings banks and savings societies,

With the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 380, S.,

A bill to regulate casualty insurance and suretyship corporations,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

No. 223, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33, of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,'" and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' " and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

With the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

No. 60, A.,

A bill to regulate the filing of bonds by insurance agents in cities of 100,000 or more, incorporated and operating under special charters,

With the recommendation that the same be referred to Mr. Niss.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

No. 60. A., was so referred.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 207, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones,

No. 287, S.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be severally concurred in.

No. 219, S.,

A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred thousand or more, and to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other services,

With amendments as follows:

In section 1 of the engrossed bill strike out the words and figures "twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00)" where they occur in the 7th and 8th lines and insert in place thereof the following: "thirty-six hundred dollars."

Amend further by striking out the words and figures, "the third Tuesday in April, 1898," where they occur in lines 2 and 3 in section 6 of the engrossed bill, and insert in place thereof the following: "Its passage and publication,"

And with the recommendation that when so amended the same be concurred in.

No. 652, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

With amendments as follows:

In the engrossed bill strike out all of section 1.

Re-number section 2 so as to read section 1, strike out the word "law" in the 4th line of section 2 of the engrossed bill and insert in place thereof the following: "the provisions of any city charter," strike out the words "several boards and" in the 7th and 8th lines of said section 2, also strike off the letter "s" in the word "councils" in the 9th line of said section, and insert after the word "council" the words "of any such city," and also by striking out all of said section 2 after the word "section" in the 17th line and inserting in place thereof the following words and figures: "1548 of the revised statutes."

And further amend by striking out section 3 of the engrossed bill, and also by renumbering section 4, to be section 2.

No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee,

With amendments as follows:

In the first line of section 2 of the original bill strike out the figures "1897" and insert in place thereof the figures "1898."

After the word "court" in the third line of said section insert the following: "In the same manner in which county judges are now elected."

In the said third line of same section, strike out the word "four" and insert in place thereof the word "three."

After the word "qualified," where the same occurs in the fifth line of said section, strike out all of said section down to and including the word "judges," where the same occurs in the 27th line of said section,

And with the recommendation that when so amended the same do severally pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 299, A.,

A bill to place all organizations which drill with fire arms under the control and subject to the authority of the state,

No. 180, A.,

A bill to authorize the quartermaster general to have compiled and published the history of Wisconsin battle flags, and Old Abe, the war eagle,

Jt. Res. No. 16, A.,

Providing headquarters for the department of Wisconsin G. A. R.,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be indefinitely postponed.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money for additional room and improvements at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home,

With an amendment, and with the recommendation that it be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendment is as follows:

Amend section 1 of said bill by striking out the figures \$15,000 in the third line and insert in lieu thereof \$20,000; to strike out the sum \$8,000 where it occurs in said section and insert in lieu thereof the sum \$11,500; to strike out the sum \$4,000 where it occurs in said section and insert in lieu thereof the sum \$4,500; strike out the sum \$3,000 where it occurs in said section and insert the sum \$4,000.

So that when amended said section will read as follows:

Section 1. For the purpose of making needed improvements and enlarging the Wisconsin Veterans' Home there is hereby appropriated out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$20,000.

The improvements necessary under this appropriation are approximately as follows:

For new buildings and cottages for widows and men and their wives, \$11,500.

For hospital extension, \$4,500.

For heating and lighting new buildings and extensions, \$4,000.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The committee on Printing, to whom was referred:

No. 281, A.,

A bill to classify the state printing and repeal sections 296 to 304, inclusive, of chapter 20 of the revised statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed

me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

WM. M. FOGO,
Chairman.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, of chapter 288, of the laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 322, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and return of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and that when so amended the same do pass.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend the printed bill by striking out all beginning with the word "or," where it occurs after the period in the 35th line of the printed bill to and including the period following the word "office" in the 39th line of the printed bill.

Amend the amendment adopted by striking out the word "verified," where it occurs in the fifth line of said amendment, and insert in lieu thereof the word "varied."

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

No. 289, A.,

A bill relative to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menominee river,

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 14 of section 1410 A, of the annotated statutes, relating to the sale of poisons,

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from sixteen to twenty-five years,

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration."

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Nos. 443, 289, 645, 653, 183 and 218, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of Wisconsin,

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for that purpose,

No. 644, A.,

A bill to amend section 4342 of the revised statutes, relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor,

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 456, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877 and chapter 238, laws of 1883,

No. 596, A.,

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee Plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846,"

No. 176, A.,

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

No. 582, A.,

A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

Have examined same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

No. 661, A.,

A bill to enable and authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposal of their garbage, and to erect and acquire crematories and plants for the operation of the same or other garbage reducing works, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

Reported by the committee on Corporations,

Was read a first and second time.

Mr. Overbeck moved that the rules be suspended, and bill

No. 661, A.,

Put upon its passage.

Objection being made,

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative, and the rules were suspended.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 67; noes, 8; absent or not voting, 25.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Cashin, Feige, Lange, Polacheck, Schellenberg and Wheeler—8.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Buffington, Clason, Flagg, Froehlich, Gawin, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sether, Smith D. K., Staples, Stone, Tucker, Webster, Welch and Wolfinger—25.

No. 661, A., was read a third time and passed.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Stone:

Jt. Res. No. 59, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of conference, consisting of four members from the senate and four members from the assembly be appointed to report to the legislature what, in their judgment, is the earliest date possible for the legislature to take the proposed recess, and to recommend a date for the reconvening of the legislature and to report by resolution as soon as practicable.

Was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 399, S.,

A bill to provide compensation for the officiating chaplains of the senate and assembly for the session of 1897.

And has concurred in

No. 655, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection and return of taxes in the villages of this state in certain cases.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

Jt. Res. No. 58, A.,

Relating to furnishing revised statutes to certain members.

And refused to concur in assembly amendment, to

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein.

And has non-concurred in

No. 350, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 509 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways,

No. 625, A.,

A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, of chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health,

And has refused to order to third reading

No. 499, A.,

A bill to restrict the traffic in intoxicating liquors in section thirty-five, township seven north, of range twenty-one east, Milwaukee county, Wisconsin, lying outside of the boundaries of the grounds occupied by the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, located in said Milwaukee county, Wisconsin.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in Jt. Res. No. 74, S.,

Authorizing Senator Welton to introduce a bill.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 74, S.,

Was concurred in.

No. 399, S.,

Was placed on the calendar in its regular order.

The senate amendment to

Jt. Res. No. 58, A.,

Was concurred in.

The assembly refused to recede from its amendment to bill

No. 252, S.,

Mr. Hall moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow,

Which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1897.

9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Lyon offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Buttlers, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flaggs, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schelienberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—90

Absent—Mr. McDonald—1.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Mosher, Sether, Webster and Welch—9.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Clason until Friday.

To Mr. Marsh, after this session, for the rest of this week.

To Messrs. W. A. Jones, Borchsenius, Jensen, Welch, Mosher, Webster and Krauss for this session.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Flett:

Jt. Res. No. 60, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Wheeler be permitted to introduce a bill to provide for the construction which shall be placed upon chapter 176, of the laws of 1897, with reference to the practice of empaneling juries prior to July 1, 1897.

Was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 58, S.,

A bill to regulate the nominations of candidates.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, and that when so amended that the same be concurred in.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

1. Amend the engrossed bill by inserting after the word "any," where it occurs in the 5th line of section 1, the words, "general or."

2. Amend by striking out the words "cities of the first, second and third class," where they occur in the 6th and 7th lines of section 1, and insert in lieu thereof, "all cities in the state except as hereinafter provided."

3. Amend by adding to the end of section 1, the following: "The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to municipal elections held in cities of the third and fourth class, until such cities shall have adopted the same, as provided for in section 11 of this act."

4. Amend by inserting after the word "electors," where it occurs in the 15th line of section 11, the words, "who shall have voted at such election."

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 431, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service in cities.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed

me to report the same back with an amendment in the form of a substitute, with the recommendation that when so amended it do pass.

FRANK A. ANSON
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 23, S.,

Proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 10 of the constitution,

No. 4, S.,

A bill to increase the efficiency of the State Free Library Commission and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 374, S.,

A bill relating to the printing of special reports of the regents of the University,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

FRANK T. TUCKER,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies," and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and the repeal of chapter 33, of the laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman pro tem.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 655, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection and return of taxes in villages in this state in certain cases,

Have examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARMUM,
Chairman.

From the joint committee on Claims: (Special report.)
To the Members of the Senate and Assembly:

Pursuant to joint resolution No. 69, the joint committee on Claims beg leave to make this partial report, and promise to make a full detailed report by to-morrow morning's session:

Bills referred to the committee.....	111
Bills reported by the committee for indefinite postponement.....	47
Bills reported by the committee for passage.....	64
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Amount of appropriation asked for by senate bills.....	\$1,948,835 30
Amount of appropriation asked for by assembly bills.....	406,677 79
Total	\$2,355,513 09
Deductions made by committee.....	546,363 51
Amount of appropriation of bills reported for passage.....	\$1,809,149 58
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Amount appropriated by legislature of 1895.....	\$1,889,777 98
Amount appropriated by legislature of 1897.....	1,809,149 58
Appropriations less than 1895.....	\$80,628 40

GEO. H. RAY,
 Chairman.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The Honorable, the Legislature:

Your special committee, to whom was referred Joint Resolution No. 6, S., authorizing and directing said committee to ascertain the number of assistant book-keepers, clerks and employes in each of the state offices and departments and compensation of each, and to report a bill classifying said employes and designating the salaries each one shall receive as compensation for their services, correcting all inequalities in the present compensation received, if any such inequality is found to exist, after giving the subject careful consideration and examination, beg leave to report a bill entitled, "A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries," with a recommendation that said bill do pass.

Your committee, after careful examination of the work of the employes of the several departments, with a view of giving a fair equivalent for the services rendered by the several employes, keeping in mind the fact that the growth and development of the state necessarily increases the expenses of the state government in certain departments, are unanimously of the opinion that the bill reported by them will in no way impair the public service and will furnish ample clerical help and labor to run the several departments of the state government during the time intervening between its passage and the time when further legislative action in the matter may be necessary.

The bill reported by your committee makes a net reduction in existing salaries of \$17,000 per annum. This is exclusive of about \$3,500 per annum which has heretofore been paid to special counsel for the state, an expenditure which will not be required, owing to the provision for a second assistant attorney general, and necessary clerical force in the office of the attorney general.

In conclusion, your committee beg leave to commend the business-like methods in operation in the several departments of the state government, and to express the opinion that the public service of Wisconsin will compare favorably with that of any of the other states of the Union.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. DENNETT,
JULIUS E. ROEHR,
W. A. JONES,
(By F. A. DENNETT),
JESSE STONE,
WILLIAM G. WHEELER.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred:
By special committee under Jt. Res. No. 6, S.:
No. 662, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries.

To committee on Claims.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 320, S.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the counties of Oneida and Vilas and create the town of Cavour in Forest county.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

Was concurred in.

No. 320, S.,

Was read a first and second time.

Mr. Taylor moved that bill No. 320, S., be referred to the committee on Judiciary,

Which motion was lost.

No. 320, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Town and county Organization.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations,

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin,

No. 644, A.,

A bill to amend section 4342 of the revised statutes, relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 77; noes, none; absent or not voting, 23.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds,

Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—77.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Froehlich, Harvey, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Parker, Polacheck, Rosenkrans, Sether, Staples, Thomas, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman and Yorkey—23.

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 65; noes, 13; absent or not voting, 22.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Gawin, Goodell, Harv Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lauge, Latta, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Pierce, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—65.

Noes—Messrs. Davidson, Frink, Hall, Maertz, Marsh, Minch, Peterson, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Risum, Schellenberg and Tucker—13.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Dresser, Fogo, Froehlich, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Parker, Polacheck, Sether, Staples, Thomas, Webster, Welch and Wipperman—21.

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for the purpose,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 51; noes, 23; absent or not voting, 26.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Goodell, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Latta, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Morgan, Niss,

Overbeck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Treat, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—52.

Noes—Messrs. Bechtel, Cashin, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hughes, Lange, Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, Minch, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Wolfinger and Wolter—23.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Clason, Connors, Feige, Fogo, Froehlich, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Rutherford, Sether, Staples, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, True, Webster and Welch—25.

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 68; noes, none; absent or not voting, 32.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Shellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Treat, Tucker, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—68.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Fogo, Froehlich, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Olson, Polacheck, Rutherford, Sether, Staples, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, True, Utt, Webster, Welch and Woller—32.

No. 514, A., being on its third reading.

Mr. Sieker moved

A CALL OF THE HOUSE,

Which being seconded,

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel,

Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Sether, Staples, Webster and Welch—14.

There being no absentees without leave the call was raised and business was resumed.

The following pairs were announced on the vote for passage of bill No. 514, A.:

Mr. Polley with Mr. W. A. Jones.

Mr. Edwards with Mr. Mosher.

Mr. Olson with Mr. Clason.

Mr. Anson with Mr. Webster.

Messrs. Anson, Edwards, Olson and Polley would have voted aye.

Messrs. Clason, Jones, Mosher and Webster would have voted no.

No. 514, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads,

The ayes and noes being demanded, the bill was refused passage.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 32; noes, 49; absent or not voting, 11; paired, 8.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Cashin, Clark, Davidson, Flett, Frink, Hall, Harvey, Jones D. F., Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Ray, Reinholdt, Schellenberg, Smith J. J., Treat, True, Tucker, White, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—32.

Noes—Messrs. Beach, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Pratt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Utt, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Woller—49.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Hindes, Jensen, Krauss, Legried, McDonald, Sether, Staples, Thomas and Welch—11.

Paired—Messrs. Anson, Clason, Edwards, Jones W. A. Mosher, Olson, Polley and Webster—8.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,

For the appropriation of a battleship fund and the appointment of a committee,

Was re-referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 173, S.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 1291 of chapter 52 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 127 of the laws of 1893,

No. 352, S.,

A bill to authorize Kirby Thomas, N. B. Arnold, and A. R. Mills, their associates or assigns, to maintain dam or dams and other improvements in the Middle river, for handling logs or other purposes,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 353, S.,

A bill to provide for securing adequate fire protection for the capitol building and necessary facilities for sprinkling the capitol park, and making an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 67; noes, none; absent or not voting, 33.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buliard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Taylor, Tucker, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Buttes, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Feige, Hindes, Hughes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, Minch, Mosher, Olson, Pierce, Polacheck, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sether, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Webster and Welch—33

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

The amendment offered by the committee on Cities, to
No. 107, S.,

A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in
cities of the second and third classes,

Were adopted.

Mr. Cashin offered an amendment to No. 107, S., as follows:

Amend by inserting the words "except Stevens Point, Madison and Wausau" after the word "class" where it occurs in the first line of the printed substitute.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Tucker moved that the rules be suspended and bill No. 107, S., be put upon its passage.

Obj ction being made, and the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative and the rules were suspended.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 53; noes, 17; absent or not voting, 30.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Latta, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, Morgan, Overbeck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Taylor, Treat, Tucker, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—53.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Edwards, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Lange, Maertz, Minch, Plummer, Polacheck, Sweeting, Thompson and Wipperman—17.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Connors, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, Marsh, McDonald, McGrath, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Stone, Thomas, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wolfinger and Yorkey—30.

No. 107, S.,

Was, on a division of the house,

Read a third time and concurred in.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 219, S.,

A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the

disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other services,

Was adopted.

Mr. Gawin offered an amendment to bill No. 219, S., as follows:

Amend section 1 by striking out in line 3, the words "thirty-six hundred dollars (\$3,600)" and insert in lieu thereof the words "three thousand dollars (\$3,000),"

Which was not adopted.

No. 219, S.,

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 223, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies, and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' "

Was refused a third reading.

No. 207, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones,

No. 287, S.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 380, S.,

A bill to regulate casualty insurance and suretyship corporations,

No. 399, S.,

A bill to provide compensation for the officiating chaplains of the senate and assembly for the session of 1897,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Clason moved to re-refer

No. 237, S.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money for additional room and improvements at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home,

To the committee on Claims,

Which motion was lost.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment offered by the committee on Military Affairs, to

No. 237, S.,

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative and the amendment was adopted.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 46; noes, 35; absent or not voting, 19.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Taylor, Treat, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger and Weller—46.

Noes—Messrs. Buttles, Davidson, Eaton, Flett, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Latta, Marsh, Merriman, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sieker, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, True, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—35.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Hindes, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, McDonald, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Sether, Webster, Welch and Mr. Speaker—19.

No. 237, S.,

Was ordered to a third reading.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 333, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property,

No. 658, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 358, A.,
A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee,
Were adopted,
The bill, as amended,
Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendments offered by the committee on Privileges and
Elections, to

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as
amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An
act to consolidate and revise the statute of the state, relating
to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and
to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other
purposes,"

Were adopted,

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment offered by Mr. Marsh on April 9th, to the
amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on
Lumber and Mining, to

No. 577, A.,

Was adopted.

The amendment offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 577, A.,

Was adopted.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the com-
mittee on Lumber and Mining, to

No. 577, A.,

Was adopted.

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled: "An act
to provide for the better protection of life and property against
forest fires,"

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Agen offered an amendment to the title, of

No. 652, A.,

A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wis-
consin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating
to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

As follows:

"A bill relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquors and fixing the time of expiration of term of license in cities,"
Which was adopted.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 652, A.,
Was adopted.

Mr. Bullard offered an amendment as follows:
Strike out the words "conformable to the provisions of this act," in the 12th line of section 2, of the engrossed bill,
Which was adopted.

No. 652, A.,
Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.
On motion of Mr. Bullard,
The rules were suspended, and
No. 652, A.,
Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,
No. 597, A.,
A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies,
Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

No. 180, A.,
A bill to authorize the quartermaster general to have compiled and published the history of Wisconsin battle flags, and Old Abe, the war eagle,
Jt. Res. No. 16, A.,
Providing headquarter for the department of Wisconsin
G. A. R.,

No. 247, A.,
A bill to repeal chapter 363, of the laws of 1895, relating to the payment of license of street railroad companies within the state,

No. 281, A.,
A bill to classify the state printing and repeal sections 296 to 304, inclusive, of chapter 20 of the revised statutes,

No. 299, A.,
A bill to place all organizations which drill with fire arms under the control and subject to the authority of the state,

No. 416, A.,
A bill to prevent combinations between fire insurance companies, and providing penalties therefor,

No. 501, A.,
A bill to continue an appropriation to the state university,
No. 11, A.,

A bill to limit the amount of insurance money exempt, in case of insurance upon a homestead,

No. 617, A.,

A bill to amend section 1688, chapter 79 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "rates of interest," by adding thereto,

No. 622, A.,

A bill to revise and codify the laws in relation to savings banks and savings societies,

No. 626, A.,

A bill regulating the issuance of license to insurance companies,

No. 650, A.,

A bill to authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposing of their garbage, and to erect crematories or other garbage reducing works thereon, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

No. 28, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263, laws of 1895, in relation to payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state, Were severally indefinitely postponed.

On Motion of Mr. Stone,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

Pursuant to

Jt. Res. No. 59, A.,

Relative to adjournment,

The speaker appointed on the part of the assembly, to act on such committee, Messrs. Stone, Bullard, Hall and Ray.

On motion of Mr. Ray,
No. 597, A.,
Laid over this morning,
Was re-referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred:
No. 372, A.,
A bill to regulate the place and manner of crossing of railways, being public carriers of passengers,
No. 586, A.,
A bill regulating crossing of the tracks of steam railroads by the tracks of street or highway railways,
Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

E. D. HOYT,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:
Jt. Res. No. 17, S.,
For the appropriation for a battleship fund, and the appointment of a committee,
Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back by a bill, and recommend it do pass.
No. 134, S.,
A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof,
Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:
No. 627, A.,
A bill relating to highways, amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885, An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative of highways and bridges,"

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do severally pass.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to whom was referred:

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment in form of a substitute, and with the recommendation that when so amended that it do pass,

Senator Stebbins and Assemblymen Hurlbut and Wolff dissenting.

W. T. LEWIS,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, of the revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895,

No. 593, A.,

A bill to regulate trade and commerce, more particularly department stores, when carried on in cities of the first, second and third classes, in the state of Wisconsin, and to require the payment of a license fee by the person or persons carrying on such department stores.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

Bills No. 103 and 593, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from sixteen to twenty-five years,

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

No. 289, A.,

A bill relative to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroads, and for other purposes,

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menominee river,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 14 of section 1410a of the annotated statutes, relating to the sale of poisons,

With verbal corrections.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The verbal corrections to No. 653, A., were adopted.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 223, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 227, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to the practice of pharmacy,"

No. 82, A.,

A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the State Historical Society, and amendatory of sub-section 8, section 376 of the revised statutes,

No. 527, A.,

A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 112, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 181, of the laws of 1889," as amended by chapter 61 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county,"

No. 306, A.,

A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges of this state,

No. 562, A.,

A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities, and amendatory of section 946 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

No. 542, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, An act to provide for a State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The joint special committee appointed under joint resolution No. 11, A., to investigate the facts with reference to whether or not the fire and life insurance companies doing business within this state are paying their just and proper proportion of taxes, and to report thereon to the legislature by bill or otherwise, have had the matter under consideration, and have instructed me to report the accompanying bill with the recommendation that the same be referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

MR. MERRIMAN,

MR. McDONALD,

MR. OLSON,

On part of the Assembly.

SEN. BAXTER,

SEN. MAYER,

On part of the Senate.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times:

By the committee on State Affairs:

No. 663, A.,

A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee,

Was placed on the calendar in its regular order.

By special joint committee, appointed under Jt. Res. No. 11, A.:

No. 664, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxing of the surplus of fixed premium life insurance corporations.

Referred to committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

Read first and second time:

By Mr. Wheeler:

No. 665, A.,

A bill to declare a construction, and to amend chapter 176 of the laws of 1897 and legalize juries in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 665, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER: —

I am directed to inform you that the senate has refused to order to third reading,

No. 391, A.,

A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891.

And has non-concurred, in

No. 348, A.,

A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities of the first and second classes, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over,

And has amended, and non-concurred in as amended,

No. 349, A.,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize counties containing over 100,000 inhabitants, to acquire by gift, purchase or condemnation, toll roads situate therein and to issue bonds for that purpose.

And has non-concurred in

No. 445, A.,

A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands,

No. 502, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin,"

No. 504, A.,

A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist State convention to change its corporate name.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 639, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph, telephone or electric light and power lines within the limits of public highways.

And has concurred in

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1 and 2 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 276, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the persons therein named a sum of money for expenses incurred in serving on apportionment committee, as provided in joint resolution No. 20, A., of 1895,

No. 288, S.,

A bill to continue an appropriation of money to the university of Wisconsin,

No. 355, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268, laws of 1889, relating to struck juries,

No. 385, S.,

A bill to enforce payment of claims, and reports of receivers of assessment, life and accident associations or societies and mutual fire insurance corporations,

No. 388, S.,

A bill to protect the policy holders in mutual fire insurance companies,

No. 391, S.

A bill to prevent the combinations of fire insurance companies,

No. 395, S.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 102, laws of 1873, entitled, "An act to authorize the city of Boscobel to construct a toll bridge across the Wisconsin river."

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 59, A.,

For a conference committee to fix the date for taking a recess,

And has appointed on part of senate as members of such committee, Senators Austin, Baxter, Milis and Whitehead.

And has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 60, A.,

Permitting Mr. Wheeler to introduce a bill.

And has concurred in

No. 665, A.,

A bill to declare a construction and to amend chapter 176, laws of 1897, and legalize juries in certain cases.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 639, A.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

Nos. 276, S., and 355, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 385, S., 388, S., and 391, S.,

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

No. 395, S.,

To committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 288, S.,

Was placed on the calendar in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

No. 276, S.,

Was placed on the calendar under order No. 12.

Pursuant to the provisions of chapter 162 of the laws of 1897, the chair appointed as members on the part of the assembly of a committee to visit and inspect the Wisconsin military reservation at Camp Douglas, Messrs. Niss and Cashin.

On motion of Mr. Minch,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Lyon offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hides, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—94.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Clason, Marsh, Mosher, Sether, Thompson, Utt and Webster—6.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Cashin after this session, until next Tuesday.

To Mr. Plummer until next Wednesday morning.

To Messrs. Beach, Tucker, Wolter, Merri-man, Olson, Lange, Sieker, Ackermann, Lewis and Sheffer after this session until next Monday.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

Mr. Wylie moved that when the assembly adjourn it be until 8:30 o'clock p. m. next Monday,
Which motion was carried.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

No. 1209, A.,

Certified copy of a resolution adopted by the South Central Wisconsin Christian Endeavor Union, commending the legislature for furthering the cause of righteousness in the senate and assembly.

Was placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 460, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 322 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 27, chapter 288, of the laws of 1893, entitled, 'An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report it back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

With amendments in form of a substitute, and with the recommendation that the bill, when so amended, do pass.

No. 338, S.,

A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

With amendments, and that when so amended the bill be concurred in.

The proposed amendments to bill No. 338, S., are as follows:

1. Amend the engrossed bill by striking out all of section 1 commencing with the word "or" in the 64th line thereof.
2. Strike out all of section 4 of the engrossed bill.
5. Number the remaining sections numbers 4, 5 and 6 respectively.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

No. 560, A., was referred to committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 593, A.,

A bill to regulate trade and commerce, more particularly department stores when carried on in cities of the first, second and third classes in the state of Wisconsin, and to require the payment of a license fee by the person or persons carrying on such department stores.,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 440, A.,

A bill relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 665, A.,

A bill to declare a construction and to amend chapter 176 of the laws of 1897, and legalize juries in certain cases,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has amended and refused to order to a third reading,

No. 454, A.,

A bill to prohibit sectarianism in public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes.

And has concurred in

No. 654, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Strickland,

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 249, S.,

A bill to facilitate the giving of bonds required or permitted by law and to repeal chapter 196, of the laws of 1893, and chapter 219 of the laws of 1895,

No. 369, S.,

A bill to provide for repairing the executive residence, and making an appropriation therefor.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

No. 249, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

No. 369, S.,

To committee on State Affairs.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 289, A.,

A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

Was read a third time and passed on a division of the house.

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menomonie river,

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 14 of section 1410a, of the annotated statutes, relating to the sale of poisons,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from 16 to 25 years,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 58; noes, 32; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Latta, Merrill, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, True, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—58.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Borchsenius, Church, Clack, Edwards, Hindes, Hughes, Hurd, Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Olson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Tucker, Webster, Wolff and Wylie—32.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Maertz, Marsh, Mosher, Sether, Thompson, Treat, Utt, Wipperman and Yorkey—10.

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 77; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 21.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath,

Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Wylie—77.

Noes—Messrs. Edwards and Gawin—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Clason, Feige, Legried, Maertz, Marsh, Mosher, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Sether, Smith J. J., Thomas, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—21.

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 62; noes, none; absent or not voting, 38.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merri-man, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—62.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Beach, Buffington, Bullard, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Goodell, Hoyt, Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, McDonald, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Plummer, Polley, Ray, Schellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Sweeting, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Wheeler, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie and Yorkey —38.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 207, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones,

Was laid over until Tuesday, in its regular order.

No. 219, S.,

A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred thousand or more, and

to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other services,

No. 287, S.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

No. 380, S.,

A bill to regulate casualty insurance and suretyship corporations,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 237, S.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money for additional room and improvements at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 72; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 27.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Ciark, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—72.

Noes—Messrs. Gawin and Webster—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Feige, Harvey, Klambunde, Lange, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Polley, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Woller and Wylie—27.

No. 399, S.,

A bill to provide compensation for the officiating chaplains of the senate and assembly for the session of 1897.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 59; noes, none; absent or not voting, 41.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Rein-

noldt, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—59.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Frink, Harvey, Hindes, Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Plummer, Polley, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Sweeting, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Wolff, Woller, Wylie and Yorkey—41.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly agreed to adjourn until next Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

No. 58, S.,

Was made a special order of business for next Tuesday at 8 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Peterson moved that the assembly take a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.,

Which motion was lost.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 372, A.,

A bill to regulate the place and manner of crossing of railways, being public carriers of passengers,

No. 586, A.,

A bill regulating crossing of the tracks of steam railroads by the tracks of street or highway railways,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways, amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885, An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative of highways and bridges,"

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

Were severally ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Froehlich,

Mr. Fogo was granted a leave of absence after this session until next Monday.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 7, A.,

A bill amending chapter 469 of the laws of 1891 relating to building and loan associations,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same do pass.

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by insurance companies,

With amendment in the form of a substitute, and recommend that the substitute do pass.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on Town and County Organization, to whom was referred:

No. 412, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 383, of the laws of 1889, and the acts of which it is amendatory, relating to the Dane county drainage commission,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be referred to Mr. Bechtel.

No. 320, S.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the counties of Oneida and Vilas and create the town of Cavour in Forest county,

With amendments, and recommend that when so amended that it be concurred in.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend section 1 by substituting in lieu thereof the following: "The following territory now embraced in the county of Forest is hereby detached from said county and attached to and made apart of the county of Vilas and the town of Eagle River in said Vilas county, to-wit: All of townships Nos. 40, 41 and 42, range 11 east, and the following territory now embraced in the county of Oneida is hereby detached from said county and attached to and made a part of the county of Vilas and the town of Eagle River in said Vilas county, to-wit: The north one-half of township 39 north, range 10 east."

Amend section 2 by striking out after the figures 37 the word "and," and inserting after the figures 36 the word and figures "and 39."

Amend section 3 by substituting the following in lieu thereof: "Section 3. Of the territory hereby attached to Oneida county the following shall be and constitute the town of Schoepke in said Oneida county: Township 35 of ranges 10 and 11 east. Said town of Schoepke shall possess all the rights of any of the towns of the state under the general laws thereof. The first town meeting of the said town shall be held at the village of Pelican Lake on the first Tuesday of May, A. D. 1897."

Amend section 4 by inserting after the word "and" in line 4, engrossed bill the words "south one-half and" by striking out the following: "with the territory hereby attached to the county of Oneida from Forest county and not herein made a part of the town of Pelican," and insert in lieu thereof the following words: "with townships 36, 37, 38 and 39 of range 11 east."

Amend section 6 by substituting in lieu thereof the following: "Section 6. The boundaries of the town of Crandon now organized and existing in the county of Forest, shall be changed so that said town shall hereafter be composed of the following territory, to-wit: Townships 35, 36 and 37 of ranges 12 and 13

east, townships 38, 39, 40 and 41 of ranges 12, 13 and 14 east, and township 42 of range 12 and 13 east."

Amend section 8 by striking out the words "on the third Tuesday in April, A. D. 1897" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "on the first Tuesday of May, A. D. 1897."

Amend title of bill to correspond with amendments.

J. J. SMITH,

Chairman.

Bill No. 412, A., was referred to Mr. Bechtel as recommended by the committee.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 369, S.,

A bill to provide for repairing the executive residence, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

With the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

JESSE STONE,

Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 355, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268, laws of 1889, relating to struck juries,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 333 A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property,

No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewau-
nee,

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 658, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such person by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, amendatory of chapter 132, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885,' entitled, 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative to highways and bridges.' "

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 313, 333, 358, 577, 660, 658 and 627, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in the assembly amendments, to

No. 107, S.,

A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in cities of the second and third classes.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 661, A.,

A bill to enable and authorize cities of the first class whether operating under general law or special charter to provide for the disposal of their garbage and to erect and acquire crematories

and plants for the operation of the same or other garbage-reducing works, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 400, S.,

A bill to re-enact chapter 89 of the laws of 1883, relating to the protection of fish in Dane county.

And has non-concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

To amend sub-division 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privilege or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates,

Jt. Res. No. 10, A.,

Proposing to amend section 10 of article 8, of the constitution of Wisconsin,

Jt. Res. No. 12, A.,

To amend the constitution relating to the census.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 75, S.,

Providing for calling a constitutional convention.

And has appointed Senators Roehr, Putnam and Stebbins on part of the senate on Conference committee on amendments, to
No. 252, S.,

Relating to bakeries and persons employed therein.

And has non-concurred in

No. 227, A.,

A bill relating to insolvent debtors, and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors.

No. 336, A.,

A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,

No. 388, A.,

A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895.

And has concurred in

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' "

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, in Door county,

No. 657, A.,

A bill to regulate the pursuit and taking of wild fowl.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture,

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152 of chapter 134 of the revised statutes,

No. 636, A.

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake in the county of Walworth.

And has concurred in

No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof.

And has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 237, S.,

A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money for additional room and improvements at the Wisconsin Veterans' Home.

And has non-concurred in assembly amendment, to
No. 219, S.,

A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other services.

And has concurred in
No. 652, A.,

A bill relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors and fixing the time of expiration of term of license in cities.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 108, S.,

A bill to amend section 4423 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin of 1878, and to provide for a penal offense for making a false statement in writing, to any bank or mercantile agency with a fraudulent intent of obtaining credit, goods, money, or other property,

No. 386, S.,

A bill to amend section 1906, revised statutes, relating to dividends declared by insurance corporations,

No. 389, S.,

A bill to enforce the collection of final judgments against insurance companies,

No. 390, S.,

A bill to protect insurers from having their risks placed in unauthorized or unreliable insurance companies,

No. 396, S.,

A bill to require the regents of the University of Wisconsin to make reports to the legislature of Wisconsin.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 400, S.,

Was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Minch,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 400, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

The senate amendments, to
No. 661, A.,
Were concurred in.
Jt. Res. No. 75, S.,
Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee
on Judiciary.

The senate amendment, to
No. 378, A.,
Was concurred in,

The senate amendment, to
No. 584, A.,
Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to
No. 636, A.
Was concurred in.

The assembly refused to recede from its amendment, to
No. 219, S.,

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The chair appointed as members on the part of the assembly
of a committee of Conference on bill No. 219, S., Messrs. Yor-
key, Welch and Reinholdt.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as
follows:

Nos. 108, S., and 389, S.,

Were referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Nos. 386, S., and 390, S.,

Were referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and In-
surance.

No. 396, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Education.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Jt. Res. No. 23, S.,

Proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 10 of the
constitution,

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 134, S.,

A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof,

Was refused a third reading.

No. 4, S.,

A bill to increase the efficiency of the State Free Library Commission and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263, of the laws of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294, of the laws of 1883, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' "

No. 276, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the persons therein named a sum of money for expenses incurred in serving on apportionment committee, as provided in joint resolution No. 20, A., of 1895,

No. 288, S.,

A bill to continue an appropriation of money to the University of Wisconsin,

No. 374, S.,

A bill relating to the printing of special reports of the regents of the university,

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

The amendment, in form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Cities, to

No. 431, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service in cities,

Was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Yorkey,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 431, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Anson,
The title to bill No. 431, A., was amended so as to read as follows: "A bill relating to civil service in certain counties."

On motion of Mr. Clack,
The assembly adjourned until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

MONDAY, APRIL 19, 1897,
8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-
man, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Church, Clack, Connors, Edwards, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Mosher, Plummer, Reinholdt, Rutherford, Sether, Stanley, Wolf and Wolfinger—17.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Wolff, Plummer, Clack, Church, Wolfinger, Maertz, Minch, Gawin, Connors, Stanley and Klabunde for this session.

The journal of Friday was approved.

CHIEF CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Statement of the condition of bills in assembly at close of session, Friday, April 16, 1897.

Bills introduced in assembly	665	....
Assembly bills re-referred.....	120	....
Senate bills received and referred.....	179	....
Senate bills re-referred.....	11	....
Bills reported.....	943	....
Bills now in committee.....	32	....
	<u>975</u>	<u>975</u>

Condition of assembly bills.

In committee.....	6	....
Indefinitely postponed.....	368	....
Passed assembly	246	....
Concurred in by senate.....	165	....
Non-concurred in by senate.....	27	....
Pending in senate	54	....
Bills pending—not ready for passage.....	45	....
	<u>665</u>	<u>246</u>

On motion of Mr. Legried,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 400, S., was concurred in on April 16th,

Mr. Legried offered the following amendment to bill No. 400, S:

Amend section 5 by substituting the words "one-third" for the words "one-half" where they occur in the first line of said section, and by substituting the words "one-third" for the words "the remainder" where they occur in the third line of said section, and by adding the words, "and the remainder shall go to the school funds as now provided by law," at the end of said section, so that when so amended said section shall read as follows:

Section 5. One third of the fines imposed and collected under this act shall be paid to the person informing of the offense and prosecuting the offender to conviction; one-third shall be paid by the magistrate before whom the matter shall have been tried and the fines imposed, to the county treasurer, and shall be by him designated and set apart as a fund for the protection of fish and game, to reimburse the county for the moneys which it shall expend for the enforcement of the fish and game laws, and the remainder shall go to the school fund, as provided by law,

Which was adopted.

No. 400, S., as amended,

Was concurred in.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, of the revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 639, A.,

A bill to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph, telephone or electric light and power lines within the limits of public highways,

No. 353, A.,

A bill to repeal sections 1 and 2 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair,

No. 96, A.,

A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways,

No. 282, A.,

A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county aid for bridges

No. 637, A.,

A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages, and legalizing acts of villages and the officers thereof,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 310, S.,

A bill relating to the taxation and licensing of water works in this state.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly,
in

Jt. Res. No. 77, S.,

Authorizing Senator Stout to introduce a bill.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE CONSIDERED.

No. 310, S.,

Was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

Jt. Res. No. 77, S.,

Was concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 593, A.,

A bill relating to the regulating of trade and commerce in the state of Wisconsin,

Was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,'"

Was laid on the table.

No. 4, S.,

A bill to increase the efficiency of the state free library commission and making an appropriation therefor,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 80; noes, none; absent or not voting, 20.

Ayes.—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker,

Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Edwards, Froehlich, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Mosher, Reinholdt, Rutherford, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thompson, Wolff and Wolfinger—20.

No. 276, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the persons therein named a sum of money for expenses incurred in serving on apportionment committee, as provided in Jt. Res. No. 20, A., of 1895,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 73; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 26.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—73.

Noes—Mr. Lange.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Anson, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Edwards, Froehlich, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Mosher, Parker, Plummer, Reinholdt, Rutherford, Shellenberg, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thompson, Treat, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—26.

No. 288, S.,

A bill to continue an appropriation of money to the University of Wisconsin,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 75; noes, none; absent or not voting, 25.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss,

Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Edwards, Froehlich, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Mosher, Parker, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Rutherford, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thompson, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—25.

No. 374, S.,

A bill relating to the printing of special reports of the regents of the university.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 73; noes, none; absent or not voting, 27.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—73.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Edwards, Froehlich, Gawin, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Mosher, Parker, Plummer, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thompson, True, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—27.

Jt. Res. No. 23, S.,

(Proposing an amendment to section 1, of article 10, of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, relating to education.)

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That section 1, of article 10, of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The supervision of public instruction shall be vested in a state superintendent and such other officers as the legislature shall direct, and their qualifications, powers, duties and compensation shall be prescribed by law.

The state superintendent shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the state at the same time and in the same manner as members of the supreme court, and shall hold his office for two years from the succeeding first Monday in July. The state superintendent chosen at the general election in November 1900, shall hold and continue in his office until the first Monday in January, 1903. The term of office, time and manner of electing or appointing all other officers of supervision of public instruction shall be fixed by law.

The ayes and noes being required, the joint resolution was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 81; noes, none; absent or not voting, 19.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—81.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Cashin, Church, Clack, Connors, Edwards, Fogo, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Minch, Mosher, Plummer, Reinholdt, Rutherford, Sether, Stanley, Thompson, Wolff and Wolfinger—19.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Eaton,

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

Was laid over until next Wednesday in its regular order.

The amendment, in a form of substitute, offered by the committee on Town and County Organization, to

No. 320, S.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the counties of Oneida and Vilas and create the town of Cavour in Forest county,

Was adopted.

Mr. Latta offered an amendment to bill No. 320, S., as follows:

Amend by inserting a new section which shall be known as section 12, as follows:

Section 12. The provisions of section 2, of chapter 334, of the laws of 1885, shall not apply to the territory hereby detached from Forest county and annexed to the counties of Vilas and Oneida.

Renumber section 12, in said bill, to be section 13.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Flett moved that further consideration of bill No. 320, S., be deferred until to-morrow,

Which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Yorkey,
No. 338, S.,

A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Was laid on the table.

No. 355, S.,

A bill to repeal chapter 268, laws of 1889, relating to struck juries,

Was refused a third reading.

No. 369, S.,

A bill to provide for repairing the executive residence, and making an appropriation therefor,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

The rules were suspended, and

The ayes and noes being required, bill No. 369, S., was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 68; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 30.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck,

Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wiperman, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—68.

Noes—Messrs. Hall and Lange—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Edwards, Froehlich, Hoyt, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Legried, Maertz, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Parker, Plummer, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thompson, Wheeler, Wolff and Wolfinger—30.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 7, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 469, of the laws of 1891, relating to building and loan associations,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment, in the form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, to

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control,

Was adopted, on a division of the house.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The amendment, in form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Privileges and Elections, to

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30, of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Peterson moved that bill No. 597, A., be laid over until to-morrow,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. True moved that the assembly adjourn,

Which motion was lost,

On a division of the house.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
No. 597, A.,

Was made a special order of business for to-morrow at 11
o'clock a. m.

On motion of Mr. Hindes,
The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—92.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Cashin, Connors, Maertz, Mosher, Plummer, Reinnoldt, Sether and Woifinger—8.

The journal of Monday was approved.

On motion of Mr. True,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly, on April 16th, concurred in the senate amendment to section 6 of bill No. 378, A.

On motion of Mr. True,

The assembly non-concurred in the senate amendment to section 6 of bill No. 378, A., and

The bill was returned to the senate for further consideration.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 1210, A.,

Remonstrance of the mayor and common council of the city of Portage, against bill No. 310, S., changing the method of taxation.

To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

By Mr. Hindes:

Pet. No. 1211, A.,

Remonstrance of fifty-three citizens of the city of Portage, against the passage of substitute bill No. 362, S.

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 249, S.,

A bill to facilitate the giving of bonds required or permitted by law and to repeal chapter 196, of the laws of 1893, and chapter 219 of the laws of 1893,

With amendments as follows:

Strike out all of section 7, in the engrossed bill, and renumber the sections following,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that when so amended the same be concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 333, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, of chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property,

No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewau-
nee,

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statute of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

No. 658, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.



The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 430, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' " and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

No. 657, A.,

A bill to regulate the pursuit and taking of wild fowl,

No. 636, A.,

A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Del-
avan lake, in the county of Walworth,

No. 584, A.,

A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

No. 638, A.,

A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, in Door county,

No. 652, A.,

A bill relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors, and fixing the time of expiration of term of license in cities,

No. 298, A.,

A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

That part of the governor's message relating to state depositories,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with a bill, and recommend that the same do pass.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times and referred.

By committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance:

No. 666, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 273, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for state depositories and to regulate the deposit of public funds, and amendatory of sections 157 and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878,

Was placed on the calendar in its regular order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

The committee of conference on bill 117, S., after considering said bill and the amendments adopted by the assembly thereto, have concluded to recommend that the assembly recede from its amendments, and that the word "other" be inserted after the

word "any" and before the word "person" in the eleventh line of section 1 of the printed bill, and that when so amended by so inserting such word the bill be passed and concurred in.

C. A. YOUMANS,

W. H. AUSTIN,

D. W. WOODWORTH,

Members on the part of the Senate.

J. B. BEACH,

W. T. LEWIS,

C. W. MERRIMAN,

Members on the part of the Assembly.

The report of the committee of conference on bill No 117, S.,
Was laid over until to-morrow.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has appointed on the part of the senate on conference committee to consider assembly amendment, to

No. 219, S.,

A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other service,

Senators Green, Roehr and Devos,

And has amended, and concurred in as amended, the assembly amendment, to

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature, and to make an appropriation therefor.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 76, S.,

Relating to the revision of the statutes, the incorporation of the general acts of this session therewith, for the publication of the laws of this session, a recess of the legislature, and other matters connected with the revision of the statutes.

And has non-concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 40, A.,

Relating to the university,

No. 615, A.,

A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin,

And has concurred in

No. 108, A.,

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county, state of Wisconsin,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

No. 656, A.,

A bill authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages and the inhabitants thereof, for certain purposes.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon, and damages therefor,

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize Adam L. Hinebaugh, John H. Harrison, and Chas. O. Law, their associates or assigns, to pick up and secure lost logs, timber, lumber and other floatables from certain streams and waters in Douglas and Bayfield counties, and bordering thereon, and to charge tolls therefor, and enforce the same by lien,

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act in relation to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages,"

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial,"

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for that purpose,

No. 543, A.,

A bill relating to use and ownership of water works and lighting works by cities and villages,

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 119, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of prisoners confined in the prisons of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 404, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 237 of the laws of 1897, entitled, "An act to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the State Historical Library building, and extending the tax levy therefor."

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 78, S.,

Authorizing Senator Welton to introduce a bill.

And requests the assembly to return to senate for further consideration,

No. 310, S.,

A bill relating to the taxation and licensing of water works in this state,

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 50, S.,

Was referred to the committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.

Jt. Res. No. 76, S.,

Was laid over until tomorrow.

No. 91, A., with senate amendments as follows,

Was referred to the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance:

Section 1. Strike out the word "three," in the second line, and insert in place thereof the word "five."

Strike out all after the word "stock," in the third line.

Add after the last word in line six the following: "theft or any contingent event whatever, which may be the subject of

legal insurance, excepting against loss by fire, and may provide for furnishing the services of a veterinary surgeon to treat any animal upon which such corporation may have assumed a risk.

Section 2. Strike out the words "secretary of state" in line one and insert in place thereof the words "commissioner of insurance."

Strike out all after the word "office" in the third line.

Strike out all of the section after the word "corporation" in the fourth line, and insert in place thereof the following: "mode and manner of electing directors, their term of office, kind and plan of the business to be transacted and such other provisions of articles not inconsistent with law as are proper to be inserted therein, for the interest of such corporation or the accomplishment of the purposes thereof, and to define the manner in which the corporate power is granted in this chapter shall be exercised."

Section 3. Amend to read as follows: "The articles of incorporation duly sworn to shall be by the commissioner of insurance submitted to the attorney general, and if found in conformity with this chapter and not in conflict with the constitution and laws, he shall so certify to the commissioner of insurance, who shall thereupon examine or cause an examination to be made and if he shall find that such corporation has received and is in actual possession of the capital, premiums and bona fide engagements for insurance as required by this chapter the commissioner of insurance shall deliver to said corporation a patent reciting the articles of organization and declaring such corporation duly organized and empowered to transact the business of insurance therein defined. Within thirty days thereafter the incorporators shall cause the article of incorporation to be recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county wherein such corporation shall have its principal office."

Section 6. Add after the last word of said section the following: "such corporation shall in its by-laws limit the amount to be used for expenses to a sum not exceeding fifty per cent. of the premium receipts and shall also provide for a release of the policy holder from further assessment liability in the by-laws and the policy of insurance to an amount not less than twice the amount of the cash premiums as fixed by the board of directors at the time of the issuance of the policy."

Section 13. Strike out the words "in the month of January," in the first line, and insert in place thereof, "on or before the first day of March."

Strike out all after the word "proceeding" in the fourth line and insert in place thereof the following: "as provided for other casualty companies and shall at the time of filing such annual statement pay to the commissioner of insurance a license fee of twenty-five dollars, which shall be in lieu of all other fees and taxes."

No. 128, A., with senate amendments,
Was laid over until to-morrow.

The senate amendment, to
No. 359, A.,
Was concurred in.

The senate amendments, to the titles of
Nos. 390, A., 394, A., 414, A., and 539, A.,
Were severally concurred in.

No. 543, A., with senate amendments as follows,
Was laid over until to-morrow.

Amend the engrossed bill by striking out section 4 and inserting in lieu thereof as follows:

Section 4. In all cases where any system of water works or lighting has been, or may hereafter be constructed, in any city or village in this state, by any person or persons, corporation or corporations, and such person or persons, corporation or corporations, shall have heretofore executed, or shall hereafter execute any bond or bonds and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage upon, or trust deed of such system of water works or lighting, such city or village may purchase of such person or persons, corporation or corporations, all of the interest and equity of redemption of such person or persons, corporation or corporations, in such system of water works, or lighting or both, and take possession thereof and operate the same. If it shall be necessary or desirable for such city or village, in making such purchase of such interest and equity of redemption in such system of water works, or lighting, or both, to issue the bonds of such city or village, the proposition or propositions for the purchase of such interest and equity of redemption and the issuing of such bonds shall be submitted to the electors of such city or village at a special election to be called for that purpose. The notice of such election shall be given by the clerk of such city or village for the time and as required in the case of charter elections in such city or village, and shall state fully the proposition or propositions to be submitted to the electors, the character and amount of the bonds to be issued and the form of the ballot to be cast at such special election. If a majority of the ballots cast at such election shall be in favor of the purchase of the interest and equity of redemption of such person or persons, corporation or corporations, in such system of water works or lighting, and the issuing of such bonds, the common council of such city, or the board of trustees of such village, may thereupon enter into a contract or contracts for the purchase of, and purchase such interest and equity of redemption in such system

of water works or lighting, in pursuance with the terms of such proposition or propositions so submitted to such electors. The purchase by any city or village of the interest and equity of redemption of any person or persons, corporation or corporations, in any system of water works or lighting, as above provided, shall not in any way or manner create any liability on the part of such city or village to pay, satisfy or in any way discharge any bonds issued, or any mortgage or trust deed upon such system of water works or lighting, executed by any person or persons, corporation or corporations owning such system of water works, or lighting, prior to the purchase of such interest and equity of redemption by such city or village, nor shall the amount of such bonds and mortgage or trust deed, or any portion thereof, be, or be deemed to be, in any way or manner, an indebtedness of, or a liability against such city or village, nor shall the amount of such bond be deemed or be construed to be an indebtedness of such city or village within the meaning of section 3 of article 11 of the constitution of this state as amended. The provisions of this section shall be applicable in all cases where any city or village has heretofore, or may hereafter reserve to itself, in any franchise granted by it, for the construction or operation of a system of water works or lighting, the option and right to purchase such water works or lighting works.

Further amend the engrossed bill, No. 543, A., by adding the following as

Section 5. Whenever any application shall be made to any common council of any city or to the board of trustees of any village for a franchise to construct and operate a system of water works, or of lighting, in any such city or village, such common council or board of trustees may, in its discretion, submit such application to the electors of such city or village at a special election to be called for that purpose, and such common council or board of trustees shall so submit such application to the electors of such city or village, if, at or before the expiration of the publication of such franchise as required by chapter 148, of the laws of 1893, a petition requesting such submission, signed by at least twenty per cent. of the electors of such city or village, as appears by the poll list of the last general election, shall be presented to such common council or board of trustees. The notice of such election shall be given by the clerk of such city or village for the time, and as required in the case of charter elections in such city or village, such notice shall state the form of the ballot to be cast at such election. If a majority of the ballots cast at such election shall be in favor of granting such franchise, the same shall be granted by such common council or board of trustees. If a majority of the ballots so cast shall be against granting such franchise, such franchise shall not be granted by such common council or

board of trustees. No part of this act shall apply to cities of the first class.

Change the number of section 5 to section 6, and section 6 to section 7.

Further amend by inserting after the word "shall" in the second and ninth lines of section 1 of the engrossed bill the word "legally;" and amend section 2 of said bill by adding after the word "necessary" in the eighteenth line thereof "after having been legally authorized to enter into the same," and by adding to the end of section 5 the following: "or towns containing an incorporated village."

The senate amendment, to
No. 566, A.,
Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to
No. 404, A.,
Was concurred in.

Nos. 119, S. and 404, S.,
Were severally read a first and second time and placed on the calendar in their regular order.

Jt. Res. No. 78, S.,
Was concurred in.

By request bill No. 310, S., was returned to the senate for further consideration.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
No. 207, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones,
Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—Messrs. Frink and Lange—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Burnham, Cashin, Connors, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Mosher, Plummer, Rutherford, Sether, Thomas, Thompson, Utt, Welch and Wheeler—15.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Mr. Latta moved that the rules be suspended, and
No. 320, S.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the counties of Oneida and Vilas and create the town of Cavour in Forest county,

Be put upon its passage.

Unanimous consent not being given,

And the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative, and the rules were suspended.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 75; noes, 5; absent or not voting, 20.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—75.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Borchsenius, Hall, Morgan and Polacheck—5.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buffington, Burnham, Cashin, Connors, Gawin, Klabunde, Maertz, Merrill, Mosher, Plummer Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Thomas, Thompson Utt, Welch, Wolfinger and Yorkey—20.

No. 320, S.,

Was then read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 460, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 322 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 27, chapter 288, of the laws of 1893, entitled, 'An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,

Was indefinitely postponed.

No. 663, A.,

A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

No. 133, S.,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 133, S.,

Was re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wipperman moved that No. 338, S., be taken from the table,

Which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Buffington,

No. 597, A.,

Which was made a special order of business for today at 11 o'clock a. m.,

Was laid over and made a special order of business at 8 o'clock p. m., today.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

No. 58, S.,

Which was made a special order of business for to-day at 8 o'clock p. m.,

Was taken up for consideration at this time.

SPECIAL ORDER.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

No. 58, S.,

A bill for an act to regulate the nominations of candidates,

The several amendments offered by the committee on Privileges and Elections,

Were adopted.

The rules were suspended and

No. 58, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in as amended,

On a division of the house.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,
The assembly took a recess until 7:30 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Davidson:

Jt. Res. No. 61, A.,

WHEREAS, The president of the United States has chosen Hon. William A. Jones, a member of the legislature of Wisconsin, as commissioner of Indian Affairs in the department of the interior, therefore

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the thanks of the legislature of Wisconsin are hereby tendered to President McKinley for placing at the head of this important bureau a gentleman of eminent ability, irreproachable charac-

ter and highest business qualities, thereby insuring to the government a safe, economical and honest administration of its Indian affairs.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be properly engrossed and forwarded to the president.

Which was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Cities, to whom was referred:

No. 148, S.,

A bill concerning the territorial boundaries of cities and villages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

No. 546, A.,

A bill relating to the election of assessors in cities of the third and fourth class,

With the recommendation that it be referred to a committee of one consisting of Mr. Barnum.

No. 199, A.,

A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in cities of the second and third class,

With the recommendation that it be referred to a committee of one consisting of Mr. Ray.

FRANK A. ANSON,
Chairman.

On recommendation of the committee on Cities,

No. 546, A.,

Was referred to Mr. Barnum, and

No. 199, A.,

To Mr. Ray.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 385, S.,

A bill to enforce payments of claims, and reports of receivers of assessment, life and accident associations or societies and mutual fire insurance corporations,

No. 386, S.,

A bill amending section 1906, of revised statutes, relating to dividends declared by insurance corporations,

No. 388, S.,

A bill to protect the policy holders in mutual fire insurance companies,

No. 390, S.,

A bill to protect insurers from having their risks placed in unauthorized or unreliable insurance companies,

No. 391, S.

A bill to prevent the combinations of fire insurance companies,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that they be concurred in.

W. A. JONES,
Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:

No. 659, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 78, of the laws of 1897, entitled, "An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

Without recommendation, three of the committee in favor of recommending the passage of the bill if amended so as to fix the appropriation at the sum of \$4,000.00 and three of the committee in favor of recommendation for indefinite postponement.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The committee on Legislative Expenditures, to whom was referred:

No. 602, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 300, laws of 1895, relating to legislative expenditures,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment, in the form of a substitute, and with the recommendation that it do pass when so amended.

A. L. UTT,
Chairman.

The committee on Education, to whom was referred:

No. 396, S.,

A bill to require the regents of the University of Wisconsin to make report to the legislature,

: Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in,

Mr. Tucker dissenting.

FRANK T. TUCKER,

Chairman.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

Substitute for substitute to No. 646, A., and bills:

No. 77, A.,

A bill to vacate the state park and to bring the lands located therein, and other lands into market.

No. 114, A.,

A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands,

No. 520, A.,

A bill to vacate the state park, and to provide for the sale of the lands therein, and other lands,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the substitute for the substitute do pass.

GEO. H. RAY,

Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

Jt. Res. No. 75, S.,

Joint resolution providing for calling a constitutional convention,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in,

The vote in committee being seven ayes and four noes.

No. 108, S.,

A bill to amend section 4423, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin of 1878, and to provide for a penal offence for making a false statement in writing, to any bank or mercantile agency, with a fraudulent intent of obtaining credit, goods, money or other property,

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity,

guaranty, safe deposit and security companies," and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and the repeal of chapter 33, of the laws of 1885, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies," and to repeal chapter 294, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,"

No. 389, S.,

A bill to enforce the collection of final judgments against insurance companies,

With the recommendation that the same be severally non-concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,

Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 7, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 569 of the laws of 1891 relating to building and loan associations,

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control,

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 663, A.,

A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 7, A., 229, A., 524, A., and 663, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of chapter 132, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885,' entitled, 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative to highways and bridges,' "

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, April 19, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills, originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 316, A.,

An act to provide for use of water in public highways,

No. 536, A.,

An act to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc," for the western municipal district for the county of Waukesha,

No. 235, A.,

An act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 61, A.,

An act relating to the improvements and payment for improvements, on streets bordering on public parks in cities of the first class,

No. 242, A.,

An act to provide for the appointment of agents of the Dairy and Food Commission,

No. 338, A.,

An act to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin,

No. 368, A.,

An act providing for the purchase and distribution of beet seed by the agricultural experiment station, in order to ascertain the districts in Wisconsin particularly adapted to the production of sugar from the beet root,

No. 611, A.,

An act to authorize and empower all cities of the first class and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of Wisconsin to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns,

No. 423, A.,

An act to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 373 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 258 of the laws of 1883,' entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating moneys therefor,' "

No. 613, A.,

An act authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary,

No. 176, A.,

An act to amend section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns,"

No. 655, A.,

An act to provide for the collection and return of taxes in the villages of this state in certain cases,

No. 582, A.,

An act to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings,

No. 596, A.,

An act to define and establish the rights and powers of cities and villages over toll roads within their limits,

No. 456, A.,

An act to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, "An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe, in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872 and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877, and chapter 238, laws of 1883,"

No. 562, A.,

An act relating to subscription to railroad stocks and the issue of bonds by municipalities, and amendatory of section 946, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

No. 440, A.,

An act relating to the investment of sinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes,

No. 665, A.,

An act to declare a construction and to amend chapter 176 of the laws of 1897, and legalize juries in certain cases,"

No. 82, A.,

An act providing for an increase of appropriation to the State Historical Society, and amendatory of sub-section 8, section 376 of the revised statutes,

No. 542, A.,

An act to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes,"

No. 223, A.,

An act to amend section 9 of chapter 227 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 as amended by chapter 146 of the laws of 1885, and chapter 460 of the laws of 1887, relating to the practice of pharmacy,"

No. 306, A.,

An act for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges of this state,

No. 527, A.,

An act to amend section 4 of chapter 112, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 181, of the laws of 1889,"

as amended by chapter 61 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county."

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has amended and concurred in as amended,

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking,

And has concurred in

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27 of the revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895.

And has concurred in the assembly amendments, to

No. 400, S.,

A bill to re-enact chapter 89 of the laws of 1883, relating to the protection of fish in Dane county,

No. 320, S.,

A bill to detach certain territory from Forest and Oneida counties and to attach the same to Vilas county, and to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to Oneida county and to create the town of Sheopka in Oneida county and the town of Cavour in Forest county.

And has non-concurred in

No. 49, A.,

A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value, in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455, of chapter 114, of the revised statutes of 1878,

No. 375, A.,

A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state.

And has concurred in

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menomonie river,

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin.

And has passed, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in
No. 96, S.,

A bill relating to the Milwaukee house of correction,

No. 154, S.,

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 305, laws of 1887, as amended by section 5, chapter 296, laws of 1891, and chapter 12, of laws of 1895, relating to jurisdiction of local insurance companies,

No. 378, S.,

A bill relating to ditches and drains, and amendatory of section 1388 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

No. 384, S.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies, in the use of co-insurance clauses or riders,

No. 387, S.,

A bill to amend section 1896, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 299, laws of 1891, relating to the organization of insurance corporations,

No. 392, S.,

A bill to provide for the organization, admission and conduct of fraternal assessment orders.

And has receded from its amendment to section 6, to

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendments to

No. 623, A.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendments to bill No. 56, A., and the titles of bills Nos. 56, A., and 376, A.,

Were severally concurred in.

No. 96, S., was read a first and second time and placed on the calendar for to-morrow.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

Nos. 154, S., 384, S., 387, S. and 392, S.,

To committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance.

No. 378, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

SPECIAL ORDER.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by insurance companies,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 333, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property,

No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee,

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, enti-

tled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statute of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 81; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wiperman, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—81.

Noes—Mr. Edwards—1.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Feige, Frink, Goodell, Jones W. A., Maertz, Mosher, Olson, Overbeck, Plummer, Reinnoldt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sether, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller and Wolter—18.

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,"

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, none; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall,

Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—83.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Clack, Feige, Hindes, Jones W. A., Maertz, Mosher, Olson, Plummer, Reinholdt Risum, Rosenkrans, Sether, Thomas, Welch, Wolff and Mr. Speaker—17.

No. 658, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 75; noes, none; absent or not voting, 25.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Flagg, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Jones W. A., Maertz, McGrath, Mosher, Olson, Parker, Plummer, Reinholdt, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sether, Taylor, Wolff, and Woller—25.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 119, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of prisoners confined in the prisons of the state of Wisconsin,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Judiciary, to
No. 249, S.,

A bill to facilitate the giving of bonds required or permitted
by law and to repeal chapter 196, of the laws of 1893 and
chapter 219 of the laws of 1893,

Was adopted.

The bill, as amended

Was ordered to a third reading.

No. 404, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 237, of the laws of 1897, entitled,
"An act to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the state
historical library building, and extending the tax levy there-
for,"

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 404, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READ- ING.

No. 666, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 273, of the laws of 1891,
entitled, "An act to provide for state depositories and to regu-
late the deposit of public funds, and amendatory of sections 157
and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878,"

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

The chair appointed as members on the part of the assembly
of a committee of conference, to consider disagreement on
amendments to bill No. 252, S.,

Messrs. McDonald, Burnham and Polacheck.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The assembly adjourned till 11 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 1897,
11 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merri-man, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Ruth-erford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—96.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Maertz, Mosher, Sether and Wolff—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Wolff and Maertz for this session.

The journal of Tuesday was approved.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times, and placed on calendar.
By committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes:

No. 667, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 300, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to prescribe the number and duties of the legislative employes, and the compensation of the same,"

On motion of Mr. Treat,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 667, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 378, S.,

A bill relating to ditches and drains, and amendatory of section 1388 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill,

With amendments, and with the recommendation that when so amended the same be concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 392, S.,

A bill to provide for the organization, admission and conduct of fraternal assesment orders,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman pro tem.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred:

No. 662, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back without recommendation, for the reason that a duplicate of this bill will be reported to the senate. The committee suggest that this bill be laid on the table until the senate bill is reported to the assembly.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

No. 662, A., was laid over.

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred:

No. 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass,

B. A. Eaton, George Wylie and D. K. Smith dissenting.

B. A. EATON,
Chairman.

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred:

No. 395, S.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 102, laws of 1873, entitled, An act to authorize the city of Boscobel to construct a toll bridge across the Wisconsin river,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that the same be concurred in.

J. O. DAVIDSON,
Chairman.

The committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred:

No. 54, A.,

A bill to prevent the improper and corrupt use of money in elections,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 357, A.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill,

With the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

No. 39, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and return of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

With the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in.

H. C. WIPPERMAN,

Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 7, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 469 of the laws of 1891, relating to building and loan associations,

No. 663, A.,

A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battleship fund and the appointment of a committee,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

With amendment to title.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The proposed amendment to the title of bill No. 524, A., is as follows:

Amend by striking out the words "section 30" in the first line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words "sections 21 and 28,"

Which was adopted.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies,

No. 666, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 273 of the general laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for a state depository and to regulate the public moneys therein, and amendatory of sections 157 and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bills Nos. 597, A., and 666, A., were severally referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 654, A.,

A bill to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Strickland,

No. 397, A.,

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of the cost of constructing sewers in certain cases,

No. 661, A.,

A bill to enable and authorize cities of the first class whether operating under general law or special charter to provide for the disposal of their garbage and to erect and acquire crematories and plants for the operation of the same or other garbage-reducing works and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

No. 539, A.,

A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commissioner for that purpose,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly in,

No. 178, S.,

A bill appropriating the sums of money named therein, to the reformatory, charitable and penal institutions of the state.

No. 405, S.,

A bill authorizing the commissioners appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to erect a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga and making an appropriation therefor.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Nos. 178, S., and 405, S.,

Were severally read a first and second time and placed on the calendar in their regular order.

Mr. Bullard offered an amendment to the senate amendment, to

No. 128, A.,

As follows:

Amend substitute bill reported from the senate so as to read as follows:

Section 2. Any true statement, explanation, correction or retraction published without comment in any such newspaper within a reasonable time after any publication in violation of the preceding section, or after the publication of any libelous matter, or in the next issue after notice of such publication may be introduced upon the trial of any such action as sufficient defense against any imputation of malice and against the recovery of any damage except actual expense,

Which was adopted.

The senate amendment, to

No. 128, A., as amended,

Was then concurred in.

The senate amendments, to

No. 543, A.,

Were concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 76, S.,

Relating to a recess of the legislature,

Was, on motion of Mr. Ray,

Laid over until evening session to-day.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885,' entitled 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative to highways and bridges,'"

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 249, S.,

A bill to facilitate the giving of bonds required or permitted by law and to repeal chapter 196, of the laws of 1893 and chapter 219 of the laws of 1893,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 119, S.,

A bill relating to the employment of prisoners confined in the prisons of the state of Wisconsin,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 53; noes, 37; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Parker, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sieker, Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, True, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—53.

Noes—Messrs. Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Edwards, Feige, Frink, Gawin, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Minch, Olson, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Stanley, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, Utt, Webster, Wolfinger, Woller and Yorkey—37.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Burnham, Clason, Dresser, Jones W. A., Maertz, Mosher, Overbeck, Sether, Thomas and Wolff—10.

No. 207, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 80; noes, 2; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Noes—Messrs. Marsh and Risum—2.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Burnham, Buttles, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Hindes, Maertz, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Plummer, Sether, Sieker, Thomas, Wheeler, Wipperman and Wolff—18.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The vote was reconsidered by which the assembly on April 20th concurred in the senate amendment, to

No. 623, A.

Mr. Ray offered an amendment to the senate amendment, to No. 623, A.,

As follows:

Amend section 4, chapter 1, by adding to said section, as engrossed, the following words: "Every bank, private bank and saving association shall pay to the officer making such examination, examination fees as follows: Those having not more than \$10,000 capital, \$10 for each examination; those having more than \$10,000 and not more than \$50,000 capital, \$15 for each examination; those having more than \$50,000 capital, \$20 for each examination; provided that no bank, private bank or saving association shall be required to pay more than two examination fees in any one year. Upon refusal to pay said fees, the bank commissioner may bring suit for the same. All such fees shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the general fund,"

Which was adopted.

The senate amendment, to

No. 623, A., as amended,

Was then concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,

No. 338, S.,

Was taken from the table

Mr. Polacheck offered an amendment, to

No. 338, S.,

As follows:

Amend section five by inserting after the word "and" where it occurs in the 28th line of said section in the engrossed bill, the following: "in counties constituting a city of the first class."

On motion of Mr. Anson,

No. 338, A., with proposed amendments,

Was laid over until to-morrow.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Mr. Latta moved that Jt. Res. No. 75, S., be made a special order of business for to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was lost.

Jt. Res. No. 75, S.,

Providing for calling a constitutional convention,

Was refused a third reading.

No. 96, S.,

A bill amending section 2514, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the Milwaukee house of correction,

Was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Flett moved that

No. 108, S.,

A bill making it a penal offense to obtain a credit, or goods, or money, or other property by any false statements in writing, made to any merchant, dealer or bank or mercantile agency, with the fraudulent intent to obtain credit whereby any one relying upon this statement is defrauded,

Be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary,

Which motion was lost.

The question being, Shall bill No. 108, S., be refused a third reading?

And the ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 31; noes, 48; absent or not voting, 21.

Ayes—Messrs. Barnum, Borchsenius, Bullard, Cashin, Church, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Harvey, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, McGrath, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Risum, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Taylor, Utt and Welch—31.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Burnham, Clack, Clark, Dresser, Flett, Froehlich,

Hall, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Plummer, Polacheck, Ray, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Thomas, Treat, True, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—48.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buttles, Clason, Connors, Feige, Fogo, Hindes, Hogan, Hurd, Maertz, Merriman, Mosher, Olson, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Smith J. J., Sweeting, Thompson, Tucker, Wolff and Woller—21.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,

No. 133, S.,

Was laid over until evening session to-day.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

Nos. 50, A., 602, A., and 646, A.,

Were severally laid over until evening session to-day.

No. 659, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 78, of the laws of 1897, entitled, "An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county,"

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

The assembly took a recess until 4 o'clock p. m

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hoyt:

Jt. Res, No. 62, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. W. A. Jones be permitted to introduce a bill to amend section 491, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools in towns, or towns and villages, and the conduct of elections relating thereto,

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 229, A.,

A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control,

No. 597, A.,

A bill prohibiting co-insurance within the state of Wisconsin,

No. 666, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 273, of the general laws of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for state depositories, and to regulate the deposit of public moneys therein, and amendatory of sections 157 and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 656, A.,

A bill authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages and the inhabitants thereof for certain purposes,

No. 378, A.,

A bill to organize the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture,

No. 414, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 79, laws of 1882, amending chapter 15 of the general laws of Wisconsin entitled "An act to establish the municipal court of the city of Wausau and county of Marathon,

No. 390, A.,

A bill to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin and providing an appropriation,

No. 640, A.,

A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

No. 108, A

A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

The committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, to whom was referred:

No. 664, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxing of the surplus of fixed premium life insurance corporations,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be indefinitely postponed.

No. 36, S.,

A bill relating to banks,

No. 387, S.,

A bill relating to the organization of insurance corporations,

No. 97, S.,

A bill relating to the organization of corporations organized under the power of section 1771 of the revised statutes,

With the recommendation that the same be non-concurred in. Senate amendments, to

No. 91, A.,

A bill relating to mutual live stock insurance,

No. 154, S.,

A bill relating to jurisdiction of local insurance companies,

No. 384, S.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies in the use of co-insurance clauses or riders,

With the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

W. A. JONES,

Chairman.

The senate amendments, to
No. 91, A.,
Were concurred in.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in
Jt. Res. No. 61, A.,

Expressing appreciation of the legislature owing to appointment of Hon. W. A. Jones as commissioner of Indian Affairs.

And has concurred in the assembly amendment to senate amendment, to

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon, and damages therefor.

And has concurred in assembly amendment, to

No. 249, S.,

A bill to facilitate the giving of bonds required or permitted by law and to repeal chapter 196, of the laws of 1893 and chapter 219 of the laws of 1895.

And has refused to concur in assembly amendment, to the senate amendment, to

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking.

And has non-concurred in

No. 290, A.,

A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of second, third and fourth classes.

And has concurred, in

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings.

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize a sewer commission to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage for the Menomonie and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
No. 146, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 80 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1878, entitled, "Of voluntary assignments,"

No. 206, S.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of a purchasing agent for the charitable and penal institutions of the state, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 397, S.,

A bill to prevent corporations organized under the laws of this state from entering into any combination, conspiracy, trust, agreement or contract intended to operate in restraint of any lawful trade or commerce carried on in this state,

No. 402, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

No. 406, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 188 of the laws of 1897, relating to the protection of fish.

And has concurred in assembly amendments, to
No. 58, S.,

A bill to regulate the nomination of candidates.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate having refused to concur in the amendment, to
No. 623, A.,

Offered by Mr. Ray, and adopted by the assembly this morning,

The assembly, on division,

Receded from the proposed amendment.

The senate amendments, to

No. 623, A.,

Were concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 628, A.,

Was concurred in.

Senate bills were read a first and second time and referred as follows:

Nos. 146, S., and 397, S.,

To committee on Judiciary.

No. 206, S.,
To committee on State Affairs.
No. 402, S.,
To committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes.
No. 406, S.,
Was placed on the calendar.
On motion of Mr. Overbeck,
The rules were suspended, and'
No. 406, S.,
Was read a third time and concurred in.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 7, A.,
A bill to amend chapter 469 of the laws of 1891, relating to building and loan associations,

No. 524, A.,
A bill to amend sections 21 and 28 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 663, A.,
A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 62; noes, none; absent or not voting, 38.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Ray, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—62.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Church, Clack, Clason, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Froehlich, Hindes, Hughes, Klabunde, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, Minch, Mosher, Overbeck, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sweeting, Thomas, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Wylie—38.

No. 96, S.,

A bill amending section 2514, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the Milwaukee house of correction,
Was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 108, S.,

A bill making it a penal offense to obtain a credit, or goods, or money, or other property by any false statements in writing, made to any merchant, dealer or bank or mercantile agency, with the fraudulent intent to obtain credit whereby any one relying upon this statement is defrauded,

Was read a third time.

The ayes and noes being demanded, the bill was non-concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 24; noes, 43; absent or not voting, 33.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Buffington, Clark, Clason, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Jones W. A., Krauss, Legried, Merrill, McDonald, Niss, Olson, Polacheck, Rosenkrans, Sieker, Treat, Wheeler, White, Wipperman and Mr. Speaker—24.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Beach, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, McGrath, Morgan, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Ray, Reynolds, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster and Welch—43.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bechtel, Church, Clack, Dresser, Feige, Hindes, Klabunde, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merriam, Minch, Mosher, Overbeck, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sweeting, Thompson, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—33.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,

No. 50, A.,

Was, on a division of the house,

Laid over until to-morrow, in its regular order.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Legislative Expenditures, to

No. 602, A.,

A bill to amend section 2, chapter 300, laws of 1895, relating to legislative expenditures,

Was not adopted.

The bill was refused engrossment and third reading.

Mr. Davidson moved that

No. 54, A.,

Lay over until next Friday,

Which motion was lost.

No. 54, A.,

A bill to prevent the improper and corrupt use of money in elections,

No. 357, A.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates; to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill,

Were severally indefinitely postponed.

No. 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

No. 662, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries,

Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

Mr. Hall offered amendments, to

No. 646, A.,

Title reported as a substitute for bills Nos. 77, A., 114, A., and 520, A.,

A bill to vacate the state park, and to bring the lands located therein, and other lands, into market,

As follows:

Strike out the words "timber and," in the fourth line of section 5.

Strike out the words "timber and," in the fourth line of section 3.

Strike out the words "timber from said," in the first line of section 4.

Strike out the words "and timber sold" in the third line of section 6; also the words "but none of the lands hereinbefore mentioned shall be sold."

Strike out all of section 2 and insert the following:

Section 2. Upon the completion of the records provided for in section 1 of this act, the commissioners of the public lands shall advertise in six or more newspapers, published in the lumbering centers of the state for at least four weeks; that said timber and lands will be offered for sale by single government descriptions of lot or tract, to the highest bidder, over and above the appraised value set by the commissioners. The

sale of the lands in the state park shall be held at Rhinelander, Oneida county, and all lands withdrawn from market at Spooner, Washburn county, the dates of said sale to be fixed by the commissioners at least three months after the first publication of notice, and said sales shall continue until all lands are offered for sale, and lands remaining unsold shall be subject to private sale at a price not less than the appraised value,

Which were adopted.

The amendment, in form of a substitute, offered by the committee on Claims, to

No. 646, A.,

Was adopted.

No. 646, A., as amended,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Agen,

The assembly took a recess until 7 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 79, S.,

To allow Senator Mills to introduce a bill to correct chapter 160, laws of 1897.

And has concurred in

t. Res. No. 62, A.,

ermitting Mr. W. A. Jones to introduce a bill.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Read first and second times.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

No. 668, A.,

A bill to amend section 491 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools and the conduct of elections relating thereto.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 668, A.,

Was read a third time and passed.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 79, S.,

Was concurred in.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 148, S.,

A bill concerning the territorial boundaries of cities and villages,

No. 385, S.,

A bill to enforce payments of claims, and reports of receivers of assessment life and accident associations or societies, and mutual fire insurance corporations,

No. 396, S.,

A bill to require the regents of the University of Wisconsin, to make reports to the legislature of Wisconsin,

No. 389, S.,

A bill to enforce the collection of final judgments against insurance companies,

Were severally refused a third reading on a division of the house.

No. 386, S.,

A bill amending section 1906 of revised statutes, relative to dividends declared by insurance corporations,

Was ordered to a third reading on a division of the house.

No. 388, S.,

A bill to protect the policy holders in mutual fire insurance companies,

No. 390, S.,

A bill to protect insurers from having their risks placed in unauthorized or unreliable insurance companies,

No. 391, S.,

A bill to prevent the combinations of fire insurance companies,

No. 178, S.,

A bill appropriating the sums of money therein named, to the reformatory, charitable and penal institutions of the state,

No. 395, S.,

A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 102, laws of 1873, entitled, "An act to authorize the city of Boscobel to construct a toll bridge across the Wisconsin river,"

Were severally ordered to a third reading.

No. 39, S.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and return of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 297, S.,

A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee,

Were severally refused a third reading.

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill,

Was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

No. 169, S.,

Was made a special order of business for to-morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,

The vote was reconsidered by which the amendment in form of a substitute to bill No. 169, S., was not adopted.

Mr. Webster moved that bill No. 378, S., be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary,

Which motion was lost.

No. 378, S.,

A bill relating to ditches and drains, and amendatory of section 1388 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes,

Was refused a third reading.

Mr. Yorkey moved that bill No. 392, S., be made a special order of business for to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m.,

Which motion was lost on a division of the house.

No. 392, S.,

A bill to provide for the organization, admission and conduct of fraternal assessment orders,

Was refused a third reading on a division of the house.

Mr. Overbeck moved that bill No. 405, S., be laid over until to-morrow in its regular order,

Which motion was carried,

On a division of the house.

On motion of Mr. Stone,

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' "

Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The vote was reconsidered by which No. 646, A., was to-day ordered engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The vote was reconsidered by which the amendments to sections 3 and 5 of bill No. 646, A., were severally adopted today.

The amendments offered by Mr. Hall today to sections Nos. 3 and 5 of bill No. 646, A.,

Were not adopted.

No. 646, A.,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Flett moved that the rules be suspended and No. 646, A., be put upon its passage,

Objection being made,

And the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative, and the assembly refused to suspend the rules.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 36; noes, 32; absent or not voting, 32.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clark, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Goodell, Harvey, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones W. A., Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Olson, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans,

Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, True, Utt, Welch and Wheeler—36.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Bechtel, Buffington, Cashin, Clack, Fogo, Frink, Gawin, Hall, Hogan, Jones D. F., Krauss, Legried, Merriman, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Tucker, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Wolter and Yorkey—32.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Borchsenius, Bulard, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Froehlich, Hindes, Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Pratt, Rutherford, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sweeting, Thompson, Treat, Webster, Wolff, Woller, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—32.

On motion of Mr. Burnham,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolf, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—97.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Hindes, Mosher and Sether—3.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Hindes for this session.

The journal of Wednesday was approved.

77—A. J.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

No. 405, S.,

Was at this time taken up for consideration.

Mr. Overbeck offered an amendment, to

No. 405, S.,

Which was not adopted.

No. 405, S.,

A bill authorizing the commissioners appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to erect a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga and making an appropriation therefor,

Was then ordered to third reading.

Mr. Ray moved that the vote be reconsidered by which on April 21st, bill No. 396, S., was refused a third reading,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Eaton moved that the vote be reconsidered by which on April 21st bill No. 396, S., was refused a third reading,

Which motion was lost.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 402, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature and to make appropriations therefor,

With the recommendation that it be non-concurred in.

N. B. TREAT,

Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 146, S.,

A bill to regulate assignments for the benefit of creditors, and to repeal chapter 80, and chapter 80a, of the revised statutes, and the acts amendatory thereof, and prescribe penalties for a violation of any of the provisions of this act,

No. 397, S.,

A bill to prevent corporations organized under the laws of this state from entering into any combination, conspiracy, trust, agreement or contract intended to operate in restraint of any lawful trade or commerce carried on in this state,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be severally concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to whom was referred:

No. 87, S.,

A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes and cigarette paper to minors,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments, with the recommendation that the bill be concurred in when so amended.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

In the second line of section 1, strike out the second word, so that the same shall read, "Any person or persons who shall sell."

In the seventh line of section 1, strike out the fifth word and insert in lieu thereof the words, "twenty-one," so that the same shall read, "under the age of twenty-one years."

JESSE A. CLASON
Chairman.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred:

No. 215, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of drainage districts and for the construction, maintenance and repair of drains, ditches and levees in certain cases,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

WILLIAM G. WHEELER,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined, and found correctly engrossed, the following bill:

No. 646, A.,

A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain timber on state lands.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

No. 646, A., was referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 128, A.,

A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor,

No. 332, A.,

A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 623, A.,

A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 19, of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water crafts in this state," as amended by chapter 283 of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state."

And submits the following statement of the condition of assembly bills now in hands of senate, and requests assembly to

furnish a like statement to senate, of condition of senate bills in hands of assembly:

Assembly bills on calendar for April 22, ready for a third reading...	14
On calendar to be ordered to a third reading	11
Assembly bills in hands of senate committees.....	15
Total.....	40

By request from the senate the chief clerk of the assembly submitted the following statement:

Senate bills on calendar April 22d, ready for a third reading.....	6
On calendar to be ordered to a third reading.....	8
In hands of assembly committees.....	5
	19

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to
No. 32, A.,
Was concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 76, S.,
Relating to the revision of the statutes, the incorporation of the general acts of this session therewith, for the publication of the laws of this session, a recess of the legislature, and other matters connected with the revision of the statutes,
Was, on motion of Mr. Hall,
Laid over until this evening in its regular order.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

Mr. Sweeting moved that
No. 229, A.,
A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control,
Be indefinitely postponed.

And the ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 61; noes, 34; absent or not voting, 5.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, Minch, Morgan, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger and Woller—61.

Noes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Church, Clack, Clark, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flett, Harvey, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Niss, Pierce, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Thompson, True, Tucker, White, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—34.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Goodell, Hindes, McGrath, Mosher and Sether—5.

Mr. Agen offered an amendment to

No. 597, A.,

Which was not considered, objection being made.

No. 597, A.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies,

No. 666, A.,

A bill to amend section 1, chapter 273, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for state depositories and to regulate the deposit of public funds, and amendatory of sections 157 and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878,

Were severally read a third time and passed.

No. 386, S.,

A bill amending section 1906, of revised statutes, relating to dividends declared by insurance corporations,

Was non-concurred in.

No. 388, S.,

A bill to protect the policy holders in mutual fire insurance companies,

No. 391, S.,

A bill to prevent the combinations of fire insurance companies,

No. 390, S.,

A bill to protect insurers from having their risks placed in unauthorized or unreliable insurance companies,

No. 395, S.,

"A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 102, laws of 1873, entitled, "An act to authorize the city of Boscobel to construct a toll bridge across the Wisconsin river,"

Were severally read a third time and concurred in.

No. 178, S.,

A bill appropriating the sums of money therein named, to the reformatory, charitable and penal institutions of the state,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 82; noes, none; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buttles, Clack, Clark, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, Minch, Morgan, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—82.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Bulard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clason, Hinds, Legried, McDonald, McGrath, Mosher, Niss, Parker, Plummer, Sether, Sweeting and Thomas—18.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING

No. 36, S.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 29, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 97, S.,

A bill to provide that any corporation heretofore incorporated under the provisions of section 1771 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the purpose of "affording pecuniary relief to its members for disability caused by sickness or accident, and to provide for the payment of a mortuary benefit to the beneficiaries of deceased members," and re-organized and re-incorporated under chapter 440 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1891, may amend its articles of re-organization and re-incorporation,

No. 133, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 263, of the laws of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294, of the laws of 1883, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' "

Were severally refused a third reading.

No. 154, S.,

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 305, laws of 1887, as amended by section 5, chapter 296, laws of 1891, and chapter 12 of laws of 1895, relating to jurisdiction of local insurance companies,

Was ordered to a third reading.

The amendment offered by the committee on Privileges and Elections, to

No. 338, S.,

A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Was adopted.

Mr. Polacheck offered amendments to bill No. 338, S., as follows:

Amend section 1 by adding in line 25 after the word "determine" the words "not to exceed two cents for each name."

Amend section 5 of No. 338, S., by inserting after the word "and" where it occurs in the 28th line of said section in the engrossed bill the following: "in any county containing a city of the first class,

Which were adopted.

No. 338, S., as amended,

Was ordered to a third reading, on a division of the house.

SPECIAL ORDER

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Having under consideration

No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill,

And amendment reported by the Judiciary committee,

Mr. Rosenkrans in the chair.

After consideration of the same,

The committee arose and through its chairman reported as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER—The assembly, in committee of the Whole, has had under consideration No. 169, S., and has instructed me to report the same back with amendments.

The following amendment, together with several verbal corrections, reported by the committee of the Whole, to

No. 169, S.,

Were adopted.

Insert after the word "candidate" in the first line of section 6 of the printed bill, the words "before any convention or."

The amendment in form of a substitute offered by the committee on Judiciary, to

No. 169, S., as amended,

Was adopted.

The question being, Shall bill No. 169, S., be ordered to a third reading,

And the ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 86; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer,

Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—86.

Noes—Messrs. Maertz, Schellenberg and Wolfinger—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Hindes, Lange, Mosher, Niss, Plummer and Sether—11.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 169, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

Mr. Wipperman offered the following amendment to the title of bill No. 169, S.,

Strike out the words "to limit the expenses of candidates,
Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

The assembly took a recess until 4 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bills:

No. 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages.

GEO. W. LATTA,

Chairman.

Bill No. 651, A., was referred to the committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 91, A.,

A bill to authorize the organization of, and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

No. 648, A.,

A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

No. 566, A.,

A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees,

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections one, five and twelve of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

No. 136, A.,

A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

No. 359, A.,

A bill to authorize Adam L. Hinebaugh, John H. Harrison and Charles O. Law, their associates or assigns, to pick up and secure lost logs, timber, lumber and other floatables, from certain streams and waters in Douglas and Bayfield counties and bordering thereon, and to charge tolls and enforce the same by lien,

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county, state of Wisconsin,

No. 645, A.,

A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menominee river,

No. 394, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 315, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act in relation to the instruction of deafmutes in incorporated cities and villages, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 649, A.,

A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin,

No. 376, A.,

A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,
Chairman.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 646, A.,

A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain timber on state lands,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with amendment to title.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The question being upon the passage of bill No. 646, A.,
And the ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time, and passed under a suspension of the rules.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 78; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 19.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker

Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—78.

Noes—Messrs. Krauss, Merriman and Wolfinger—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Bullard, Clark, Clason, Gawin, Hindes, Legried, Marsh, McDonald, Mosher, Plummer, Polacheck, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Thomas and Webster—19.

The following amendment to the title, of

No. 646, A.,

Was adopted.

Amend title by striking out the words "timber on" where they occur in the second and third lines of said title, and adding the words "and making an appropriation therefor," so that said title when so amended shall read: "A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands, and making an appropriation therefor."

Mr. Davidson moved that bill No. 384, S., be laid over until to-morrow,

Which motion was lost.

No. 384, S.,

A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies in the use of co-insurance clauses or riders,

No. 387, S.,

A bill to amend section 1896, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 299, laws of 1891, relating to the organization of insurance corporations,

Were severally refused a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pierce,

The rules were suspended interfering with the passage of

No. 405, S.,

And the ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 91; noes, none; absent or not voting, 9.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg,

Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—91.
Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Clark, Gawin, Hindes, Marsh, Mosher, Parker, Sether and Webster—9.

Mr. Polacheck moved that the senate be requested to return to the assembly for further consideration.

No. 378, S.,

Which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. D. K. Jones,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 397, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The special committee, to whom was referred the petition of S. L. Wells and others, relative to the connections made at Camp Douglas by the trains of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, and the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Companies, with instructions to confer with the railway commissioner and the representatives of said roads in relation to the complaints made by said petitioners, respectfully report:

That it has attended to the duties assigned it and found that until about the first of the present month the trains of said roads did fail to connect at Camp Douglas and that the difference in the time of arrival of the two day trains going east was only sixteen minutes. That in consequence of the failure to connect, passengers for points on the Milwaukee and St. Paul road, arriving on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha train, were obliged to remain at Camp Douglas seven hours, thus inflicting upon them a needless loss of time and expense.

Your committee is, however, pleased to be able to further report that during the three weeks last past the day trains of said roads going east have made connections at Camp Douglas, thus affording the traveling public the accommodations asked for.

Your committee is of the opinion that the arrangement now in force will continue. The general manager of the Milwaukee road has assured the railway commissioner that the next issue of its time table will show the connections as now made, and the general manager of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway company has given assurance that his road will do its whole duty to maintain Camp Douglas connections now established.

A. R. HALL,

A. JENSEN,

JESSE A. CLASON,

Committee.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD
READING.

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

The following pair was announced on all votes on consideration of No. 50, A.:

Mr. Gawin with Mr. Sheffer.

Mr. Gawin would have voted aye, Mr. Sheffer would have voted no.

Mr. Tucker offered the following amendment in form of a substitute to No. 50, A.:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated out of the general fund a sum of money not exceeding eight thousand dollars to pay the present indebtedness of the Wisconsin State Agricultural society.

Section 2. The secretary of state, state treasurer and attorney general shall constitute an auditing committee to audit all just claims against said society, and all moneys paid out shall only be paid upon warrants drawn by the secretary of state and countersigned by the attorney general.

Section 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Mr. Pierce offered the following amendment to the amendment, in form of a substitute, offered by Mr. Tucker:

Amend the amendment by striking out the word "eight" where it occurs before the word "thousand" in the first section and insert in lieu thereof the word "four."

The question being upon the adoption of amendment to the amendment offered by Mr. Peirce,

And the ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the negative, and the amendment to the amendment was not adopted.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 29; noes, 59; absent or not voting, 10; paired, 2.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Butties, Church, Clack, Dresser, Flett, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Legried, Merriman, McDonald, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Tucker, White and Wolter—29.

Noes—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweet-

ing, Thompson, Treat, True, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—59.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Clark, Hindes, Marsh, Mosher, Parker, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sieker and Webster—10.

Pairs—Messrs. Gawin and Sheffer—2.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment in form of a substitute offered by Mr. Tucker.

And the ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative, and the amendment in form of a substitute was adopted.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 53; noes, 36; absent or not voting, 9; paired, 2.

Ayes—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, McGrath, Minch, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenbeg, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweeting, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—53.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Buttles, Clack, Davidson, Edwards, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Overbeck, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Risum, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, White and Wolter—36.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Clark, Hindes, Marsh, Mosher, Parker, Rosenkrans, Sether and Webster—9.

Paired—Messrs. Gawin and Sheffer—2.

Mr. Wheeler moved that the rules be suspended and No. 50, A., be put upon its passage.

Objection being made,

And, the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative, and the assembly refused to suspend the rules.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 52; noes, 34; absent or not voting, 12; paired, 2.

Ayes—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clason, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, McGrath, Minch, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thompson, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—52.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Buttles, Church, Clack, Davidson, Edwards, Flett, Goodell, Harvey, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Morgan, Overbeck, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Risum, Smith J. J., Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, White and Wolter—34.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Clark, Connors, Dresser, Hindes, Jones D. F., Marsh, Mosher, Parker, Rosenkrans, Sether, Webster and Yorkey—12.

Paired—Messrs. Gawin and Sheffer—2.

On motion of Mr. Lange,
The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,

No. 50, A.,

Was made a special order of business for 8:30 o'clock tonight.

The following pair on all votes upon the consideration of bill No. 50, A., was announced:

Mr. Rutherford, who would have voted aye, with Mr. Pratt, who would have voted no.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,

Chairman.

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred:
No. 206, S.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of a purchasing agent for the charitable and penal institutions of the state, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments and recommend that it be concurred in when so amended,

Mr. Edwards dissenting.

JESSE STONE,
Chairman.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

Amend the senate amendment to section 1 of the engrossed bill so that the same shall read as follows:

"And whenever the amount of any such purchases shall exceed the sum of \$300 he shall, before making any such purchases, advertise in two daily papers published in the city of Milwaukee, and in one other newspaper in the state, in the discretion of the purchasing agent, for at least one week previous to the making of such purchases, for sealed bids to be opened in the presence of the governor, secretary of state and president of the state board of control, or any two of them, for supplying the same, and the two so present shall decide and determine which, if any, is the lowest bid so received and opened, and the purchasing agent shall make purchases in accordance with such bid, provided that the governor, secretary of state and president of the board of control, or any two of them, so present may reject all bids so received, and direct re-advertisement for bids as hereinbefore provided."

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The conference committee to whom was referred the question, as to whether or not the assembly should concur in senate amendment to bill No. 48, A., finding that no agreement can be reached, beg leave to report back without recommendation.

THOMAS B. MILLS,
L. W. THAYER,
A. SOLLIDAY,

On part of Senate.

L. C. HARVEY,
J. J. SMITH,
H. H. OLSON,

On part of Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am direced to inform you that the senate has appointed Senators Mills, Thayer and Solliday on part of the senate on Conference committee on senate amendment, to

No. 48, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 171, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act relating to the organization of corporations for the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, asylums or institutions for the care, treatment or relief of insane or feeble-minded persons, and amendatory of chapter 86 of the revised statutes, entitled, 'Of the organization of corporations.'"

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

No. 102, A.,

A bill regulating building and loan associations,

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe a license fee to be paid by such companies for carrying on business within this state,

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission,

No. 443, A.,

A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of property.

And has concurred in

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 5, 12, 13, 18 and 64 and to add two new sections numbered 34a, and 74a, of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, conduct, canvass and returns of the same and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the assessment of bank stock,

No. 289, A.,

A bill relative to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing.

And has non-concurred in

No. 318, A.,

A bill to amend sections, 1126 and 1128 of the revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes,

No. 653, A.,

A bill to amend sub-division 14 of section 1410a of the annotated statutes, relating to the sale of poisons,

And has amended, and refused to order to a third reading,

No. 553, A.,

A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend sections 4222 and 4231 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

No. 593, A.,

A bill to regulate trade and commerce, more particularly department stores, when carried on in cities of the first, second and third classes, in the state of Wisconsin, and to require the payment of a license fee by the person or persons carrying on such department stores.

And has concurred in

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges and amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend

chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885, entitled, an act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative to highways and bridges,"

No. 644, A.,

A bill to amend section 4342 of the revised statutes relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor,

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 401, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 431, A.,

A bill relating to civil service in certain counties.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment in form of a substitute, to

No. 129, A.,

Was concurred in on a division of the house.

The senate amendments, to No. 102, A., are as follows:

Amend section 18 by striking out the sentence "such corporation shall at the same time pay to said examiner, for the benefit of the state and in lieu of taxes a sum equal to one-tenth of one per cent." of the amount dues paid in during the preceding year.

Further amend, in line 8, section 4, printed bill, by striking out the words "two and."

Further amend, in line 5, section 9, of printed bill, by striking out the words "not running over three years."

Further amend by striking out of line 9, section 9, of printed bill the words "the legal," and insert in lieu thereof the word "such."

Further amend, in line 9, section 9, by inserting after the word "rate" the words "as may be fixed by the by-laws."

1. Strike out the words "or paid up stock" in the seventh line of section 3 of printed bill.

2. Strike out last sentence of section 4 and insert the following: "Paid up stock may be issued but at no greater rate of interest than seven per cent."

3. Insert in the sixth line of section 11 of the printed bill, after the word "by" and before the word "its" the following: "The statutes in force at the time of its incorporation or by."

No. 102, A., with senate amendments,
Was laid over until to-morrow.

The senate amendments, to
Nos. 87, A., 131, A., 345, A., 443, A., 474, A., 179, A.,
431, A., 373, A., and 406, A.,
Were severally concurred in.

The senate amendment in the form of a substitute, to
No. 593, A.,
Was concurred in.
No. 401, S.,
Was read a first and second time and placed on the calendar.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

No. 662, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries,
Was laid over until to-morrow.

No. 215, A.,

A bill to provide for the organization of drainage districts and for the construction, maintenance and repair of drains, ditches and levees in certain cases,

No. 664, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxing of the surplus of fixed premium life insurance corporations,
Were severally indefinitely postponed.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Peterson:

Jt. Res. No. 63, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the sympathy of the people of Wisconsin is hereby extended to the Greeks in their heroic struggle for the rights of man to think and act in matters political and religious in the spirit born of Thermopylae, and consecrated to humanity at Salamis.

Now, as then liberty loving Greece fights for the elevation of humanity, and the upward and onward march of the race toward the goal of its final destiny, where an enlightened manhood can, while exemplifying the brotherhood of man through the creedless faith of love, worship God with a freedom of conscience only found when the clouds of oppression and despotism have been dispelled by the sun of universal liberty.

The Turk is the foe to life, liberty and progress. He is the destroyer of progress, the robber of human rights and the murderer of conscience. He not only stands for all that is bad that comes down to us from the past, but champions and defends all that is vicious and degrading in the civilization of to-day. It is our earnest wish that victory, swift and certain, shall rest with the armies of Greece upon every battlefield, and the Turk shall be driven from Grecian soil.

And that we earnestly urge upon the government and the people of the United States to do all that the Monroe doctrine and international law will permit to assist Greece in her brave battle for the great rights of man, and the inestimable privileges of civilization.

Resolved, That the chief clerk of the assembly be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the representatives and United States senators from Wisconsin in congress.

Was referred to committee on Military Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 76, S.,

Relating to the revision of the statutes, the incorporation of the general acts of this session therewith, for the publication of the laws of this session, a recess of the legislature, and other matters connected with the revision of the statutes.

Mr. Jones offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out after the word "necessary," in the

37th line of the printed resolution the words "may be," and all of lines 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, and all of line 47 down to the word "that."

And further amend by striking out the words "12 o'clock noon," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "4 o'clock p. m.

Which was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 76, S., as amended,

Was concurred in.

SPECIAL ORDER.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin agricultural society,

Was ordered engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. Polacheck moved that the rules be suspended, and bill No. 50, A., be put upon its passage.

Objection being made,

And the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative, and the rules were not suspended.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 47; noes, 38; absent or not voting, 11; paired, 4.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Maertz, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Polacheck, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweeting, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie and Yorkey—47.

Noes—Messrs. Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Butties, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Goodell, Harvey, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Ray, Risum, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, White, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—38.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Flagg, Flett, Hindes, Marsh, Mosher, Rosenkraus, Sether, Thompson, Tucker and Webster—11.

Paired—Messrs. Gawin, Pratt, Rutherford and Sheffer—4.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No. 154, S.,

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 305, laws of 1887, as amended by section 5, chapter 296, laws of 1891, and chapter 12, of laws of 1895, relating to jurisdiction of local insurance companies,

No. 338, S.,

A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

Were severally read a third time and concurred in, under a suspension of the rules.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

No. 50, S.,

A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature, and to make appropriations therefor,

Was refused a third reading under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

No. 87, S.,

A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes and cigarette paper to minors,

Was laid over until to-morrow in its regular order.

No. 146, S.,

A bill to regulate assignments for the benefit of creditors, and to repeal chapter 80, and chapter 80a, of the revised statutes, and the acts amendatory thereof, and prescribe penalties for a violation of any of the provisions of this act,

No. 402, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

Were severally ordered to a third reading under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Jones,
No. 401, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries,

Was taken up at this time for consideration.

No. 401, S.,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1897,
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flag, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—93.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Gawin, Hindes, Jones W. A., Marsh, Mosher, Rutherford and Sether—7.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. W. A. Jones indefinitely.

The journal of Thursday was approved.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Agen:

Res. No. 38, A.,

WHEREAS, It has been reported that C. A. Coon, an employe in the state capitol building, after last evening's session, used language in reference to and concerning two worthy and reputable members of this assembly, which said language reflects upon the good name and reputation of said members; and

WHEREAS, Such language, if used, was used on the part of said employe without provocation or justification. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, That the speaker appoint a committee of three members to investigate this matter and report to the assembly with all convenient speed.

Which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The chair appointed as such special committee, Messrs. Agen, McGrath and True.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred:

Res. No. 63, A.,

Expressing sympathy with Greece,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with recommendation that it do pass.

GEO. W. TAYLOR,
Chairman.

The committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to whom was referred:

No. 619, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back without recommendation.

N. B. TREAT,
Chairman.

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred:

No. 407, S.,

A bill in relation to corporations and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 160, of the laws of 1897,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that the same be concurred in.

SILAS BULLARD,
Chairman.

The committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and found correctly engrossed the following bill:

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society.

GEO. W. LATTA,
Chairman.

No. 50, A., was referred to committee on Bills on Their Third Reading.

The committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, to whom was referred:

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin state agricultural society,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back as in all respects correct.

B. C. WOLTER,
Chairman.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 543, A.,

A bill relating to use and ownership of water works and lighting works by cities and villages,

No. 404, A.,

A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 19 of the laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 283, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state,

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin relating to the assessment of bank stock,

No. 373, A.,

A bill to amend sections 4222 and 4231 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE.

The undersigned members of Conference committee on senate bill No. 219, recommend that the assembly recede from their amendment.

J. H. GREEN,
H. O. REINNOLDT,
JULIUS E. ROEHR,
C. H. WELCH,
WM. H. DEVOS.

Mr. Yorkey dissenting, and reporting his reasons for dissenting to be, that it is an unjust discrimination against the city clerk's office, but if a general cut had been made in all city offices I should deem it my duty to support the bill.

J. H. YORKEY.

The report of the committee of Conference, on
No. 219, S.,

Was adopted, and

The assembly receded from its amendment.

The report of April 20 of the committee of conference on bill 117, S., was adopted, and the assembly reconsidered and receded from its amendments as therein recommended.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, April 23, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 136, originating in the assembly.

The constitution of the state declares that "the privilege of the debtor to enjoy the necessary comforts of life shall be recognized by wholesome laws, exempting a *reasonable amount* of property from seizure or sale for the payment of any debt or liability hereafter contracted."

The law exempting wages to the amount of sixty dollars per month has been upon the statute books for fourteen years, and

its operation during that period entitles it to the distinction of being one of the "wholesome laws" for the protection of wage earners.

It will hardly be argued that the industrial condition of the country at the present time makes such exemption any less wholesome or necessary than it has been in the past.

Believing, as I do, that the law now upon the statute books allows exemption to the wage earner of no more than a reasonable amount, I cannot give this measure, which proposes a very important reduction in that amount, my approval.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

The question being, Shall bill No. 136, A., pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor?

And the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative and the veto of the governor was sustained.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 3; noes, 80; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Anson, Borchsenius and Krauss—3.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—80.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clark, Eaton, Gawin, Hindes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Marsh, Mosher, Rutherford, Sether, Utt, Webster, Woller, Wolter and Yorkey—17.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Memorial to Congress No. 2, S.,

Memorial to Congress for the passage of an act to strengthen the national credit,

Memorial to congress No. 3, S.,

Memorial to congress requesting delegation of power to the various states to legislate with reference to the licensing and sale of cigarettes and cigarette paper within the various states.

And has concurred in assembly amendments, to
No. 338, S.,

A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."

And has refused to concur, in
Jt. Res. No. 8, A.,

Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privilege or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates.

And has non-concurred in
No. 597, A.,

A bill prohibiting co-insurance within the state of Wisconsin.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
No. 407, S.,

A bill in relation to corporations, and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 160, of the laws of 1897.

And has concurred in assembly amendments, to
No. 169, S.,

A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
No. 408, S.,

A bill relating to the publication of the laws of this session.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in
Jt. Res. No. 80, S.,

Permitting Senator Munson to introduce a bill.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to the commitment, care and custody of epileptics, feeble-minded and idiots to the Wisconsin home for feeble minded, and to provide for charges for the support of persons so committed.

And returns to assembly, as ordered by chair, question of consideration having been raised,

No. 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 80, S.,

Was concurred in.

The senate amendment, to

No. 102, A.,

Was concurred in.

Memorials to Congress Nos. 2, S., and 3, S.,

Were read a first and second time and placed on the calendar.

No. 407, S.,

Was read a first and second times and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The senate amendment, to

No. 209, A.,

Was concurred in.

No. 408, S.,

Was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Stanley,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 408, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

RESOLUTIONS CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 63, A.,

Expressing sympathy with Greece,

Mr. Merriman offered an amendment as follows:

Amend by striking out the words "Monroe doctrine and,"

Which was adopted.

Jt. Res. No. 63, A., as amended,

Was adopted.

BILLS READY FOR A THIRD READING.

No, 651, A.,

A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages,

Was read a third time and passed.

No. 146, S.

A bill to regulate assignments for the benefit of creditors, and to repeal chapter 80, and chapter 80a, of the revised statutes and the acts amendatory thereof, and prescribe penalties for a violations of any of the provisions of this act,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 401, S.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 53; noes, 34; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Latta, Merrill, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sieker, Smith D. K., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—53.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Connors, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hurd, Jensen, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Olson, Peterson, Plummer, Polley, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Smith J. J., Staples, True, White, Wolfinger, Woller and Wolter—34.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clark, Gawin, Hindes, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Marsh, Mosher, Rutherford, Sether, Tucker, Utt and Webster—13.

No. 402, S.,

A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds,

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, none; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell,

Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Church, Clark, Gawin, Hall, Hindes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Jones W. A., Klabunde, Marsh, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Pierce, Plummer, Rutherford and Sether—17.

Mr. Overbeck offered an amendment to the title of bill No. 32, A., as follows:

Amend title by striking out the word "repeal" where it first occurs in the title, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "amend,"

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Stanley,

The vote was reconsidered by which bill No. 384, S., was yesterday refused a third reading.

No. 384, S.,

Was then ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 384, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Lange,

No. 50. A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society,

Was considered at this time and put upon its passage.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and passed.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 50; noes, 36; absent or not voting, 10; paired, 4.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Clason, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hogan, Hurd, Jensen, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Polacheck, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Staples, Sweeting, Thompson, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Yorkey—50.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Buttles, Church, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, Mc

Donald, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Ray, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True and Mr. Speaker—36.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Buffington, Clark, Hindes, Hughes, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Marsh, Mosher, Sether and Tucker—10.

Paired—Messrs. Gawin, Pratt, Rutherford and Sheffer—4.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

The amendment offered by the committee on Public Health and Sanitation, to

No. 87, S.,

A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes and cigarette paper to minors,

Was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Clason,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 87, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs to

No. 206, S.,

A bill to provide for the appointment of a purchasing agent for the charitable and penal institutions of the state, and making an appropriation therefor,

Mr. Fogo moved the previous question,

Which, being seconded,

The question was, Shall the main question be now put?

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative:

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 55; noes, 7; absent or not voting, 38.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buttles, Church, Clason, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Thomas, Treat, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—55.

Noes—Messrs. Bullard, Davidson, Jones D. F., McGrath, Overbeck, Pierce and Taylor—7.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Burn-

ham, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Hinds, Hogan, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Marsh, Merriman, Mosher, Parker, Peterson, Plummer Polacheck, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Stone, Thompson, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wipperman and Wolfinger—38.

The amendment offered by the committee on State Affairs, to

No. 206, S.,

Was, on a division of the house,

Not adopted.

The question being, Shall No. 206, S., be ordered to a third reading?

And the ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the negative, and bill No. 206, S., was refused a third reading.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 22; noes, 55; absent or not voting, 23.

Ayes—Messrs. Barnum, Butties, Davidson, Dresser, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hoyt, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Niss, Pierce, Ray, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, and True—22.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clason, Connors, Edwards, Flagg, Frink, Hogan, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Minch, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Sweeting, Thomas, Treat, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—55.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clack, Clark, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Hinds, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, Mosher, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Tucker, Utt and Wolfinger—23.

BILLS READY FOR ENGROSSMENT AND THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

No. 662, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries,

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The assembly took a recess until 4 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Peterson:

Res. No. 39, A.,

Whereas, This assembly, duly recognizing that the faithful and efficient manner in which our chief clerk has discharged the difficult duties of his office, and the kindly courtesy and consideration that he has so uniformly shown to all members of this house has left none but pleasant memories with us all. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this assembly are tendered to W. A. Nowell, with the assurance that we are highly pleased with him personally, and with his work as well; further,

Resolved, That our thanks are also due to the assistant chief clerk and to all others of the desk force for their efficient work and courteous conduct, and they will ever be linked in our minds with pleasant recollections. Be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records. Which was adopted by an unanimous rising vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 593, A.,

Substitute for No. 593, A.,

A bill authorizing cities of the first, second and third class, whether operating under general or special charter, to license and regulate department stores,

No. 289, A.,

A bill relative to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

No. 218, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

No. 358, A.,

A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewau-
nee,

No. 627, A.,

A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of chapter 132, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885,' entitled, 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to highways and bridges,' "

No. 644, A.,

A bill to amend section 4342 of the revised statutes, relating to the wrecking of railroad trains and providing a punishment therefor,

No. 660, A.,

A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 474, A.,

A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of property,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The special committee, appointed under resolution No. 38, A., to investigate charges against C. A. Coon, an employe in the state capitol, for the use of language "in reference to and concerning two worthy and reputable members of this assembly, which said language reflects upon the good name and reputation of said members," has attended to that duty, and finds the charges fully sustained.

The person charged with the offense submits an apology to the assembly for the language used, which communication accompanies this report.

Your committee would respectfully recommend that the

apology be accepted, and further consideration of the matter be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES H. AGEN,
T. J. McGRATH,
JOHN M. TRUE,
Committee.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,
The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The committee on Conference on bill No. 252, S., recommend that the senate concur in the amendments to section 2 and that the assembly recede from the amendment to section 4.

JULIUS E. ROEHR,
T. McDONALD,
CHAS. POLACHECK,
JOHN F. BURNHAM,
D. W. STEBBINS,
H. C. PUTNAM.

The report was adopted, and
The assembly voted to reconsider and recede from its amendment to section 4.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office,
MADISON, April 23, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 430, originating in the assembly.

I am constrained to believe that in the drafting of this measure some provisions of the law under which trust and security companies are organized, were overlooked.

Section 3 of chapter 203, laws of 1891, makes it obligatory upon the companies to which this bill refers, to "deposit with the state treasurer of this state, not less than fifty per centum of the amount of their capital stock, nor more than one hun-

dred thousand dollars in amount; such deposit to be in cash or bonds, or in mortgages on unincumbered real estate within the state of Wisconsin," etc.

These securities being deposited with the state treasurer are taxable as well as all other mortgages or securities in which the capital of such corporation may be invested. Section 1038 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in specifying what property shall be exempt from taxation, includes "stock in any corporation in this state which is required to pay taxes upon its property in the same manner as individuals."

This bill provides for the amendment of section 10 of chapter 263, so that the stock of all such corporations shall be assessed to the several stockholders; that is to say, the securities on deposit with the state treasurer would be subject to taxation, and also the stock of each separate stockholder, a portion of the value of whose stock is represented by the securities on deposit with the state treasurer, would also be subject to taxation, thus compelling the stockholders to submit to double taxation.

The bill provides that the valuation of the real estate as assessed shall be excluded, but does not provide for the exclusion of the other property of the corporations, which is a part of their capitol stock, and upon which they must pay a tax.

It is not improbable that under the present law the corporations to which this bill refers do not pay a sufficient amount of taxes, but this would hardly justify legislation compelling the stockholders upon that account to submit to double taxation.

I cannot give my approval to a measure which contemplates so manifest an injustice.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

The question being, Shall bill No. 430, A., pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor?

And the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative and the veto of the governor was sustained.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 67; absent or not voting, 33.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clason, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce,

Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Clark, Davidson, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Hindes, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Marsh Mosher, Peterson, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Stanley, Sweeting, Thompson, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wolff, Wolfinger and Wylie—33.

No. 407, S.,

Was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bullard,

The rules were suspended, and

No. 407, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

Memorials to Congress Nos. 2 and 3, S.,

Were severally read a third time and concurred in under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

No. 619, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of passenger cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars,

Was taken up and read a third time and passed, under suspension of the rules.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in the amended title to enrolled bill of

No. 32, A.,

A bill to repeal chapter 19, of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water crafts in this state," as amended by chapter 283 of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water crafts in this state."

And has concurred in

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from sixteen to twenty-five years,

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 658, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend section 30, of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 288, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statute of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officers to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,

No. 663, A.,

A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battleship fund and the appointment of a committee.

And has non-concurred in

No. 609, A.,

A bill to amend section 2252 of the revised statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages and options of record by an order of court,

No. 333, A.,

A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, of chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property,

No. 493, A.,

A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities of the first class.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 398, S.,

A bill to prevent the introduction or spread of San Jose scale, or other specially dangerous insects or plant diseases,

No. 273, S.,

A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank-road company, approved February 2, 1846," as amended by an act, entitled, "An act to provide for the continuation of the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road from Watertown to Madison, approved March 1, 1848."

And has concurred in the assembly amendment to section 2, to

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

Pursuant to report of joint Conference committee enclosed herewith.

And has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 409, S.,

A bill to appropriate money for the purchase of revised statutes.

And has non-concurred in

No. 666, A.,

A bill to amend section 1 "of chapter 273, of the general laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for state depositories and to regulate the deposit of public moneys therein, and amendatory of sections 157 and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878,"

No. 222, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 320, of the session laws of 1882, relating to telegraph companies.

And has concurred in assembly amendments, to

No. 87, S.,

A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes and cigarette papers to minors,

Jt. Res. No, 76, S.,

Relating to the revision of the statutes, the incorporation of the general acts of this session therewith; for the publication of the laws of this session; a recess of this legislature and other matters connected with the revision of the statutes.

And has reconsidered the vote by which it concurred, in
No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to bonds of county treasurers.

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,
No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to bonds of county treasurers.

And has concurred in
No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

No. 646, A.,

A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain timber on state lands,

No. 668, A.,

A bill to amend section 491 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools, and the conduct of elections relating thereto.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendments, to

Nos. 524, A., 560, A., 561, A., and 138, A.,

Were severally concurred in.

The senate amendments, to

The titles to bills

No. 577, A., and 633, A.,

Were severally concurred in.

No. 398, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. True moved that the rules be suspended and bill No. 398, S., be put upon its passage.

Objection being made,

And the ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative, and the assembly refused to suspend the rules.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 43; noes, 26; absent or not voting, 31.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Bullard, Butties, Church, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Latta, Lewis, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Overbeck, Pierce, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt Reynolds, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson. Treat, True, White, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—43.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Clason, Eaton, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Legried, McGrath, Niss, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Polley, Rosenkrans, Smith D. K., Staples, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Woller and Yorkey—25.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Ackermann, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Clack, Clark, Feige, Flagg, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hindes, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, Merriman, Morgan, Mosher, Olson, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Stanley, Sweeting, Tucker, Wolff, Wolfinger and Wylie—32.

No. 273, S.,

Was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Corporations.

No. 273, S., was read a first and second time, and

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

The rules were suspended, and

The bill was read a third time and concurred in.

No. 409, S., was read a first and second time, and

On motion of Mr. Latta,

The rules were suspended, and

The bill was put upon its passage.

The ayes and noes being required, the bill was read a third time and concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 70; noes, none; absent or not voting, 30.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Bechtel, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Clack, Clason, Connors, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds,

Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Woller, Wolter, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—70.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting--Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Church, Clark, Feige, Flagg, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, Merri-man, Mosher, Plummer, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Stanley, Sweeting, Wheeler, Wolff, Wolfinger and Wylie—30.

On motion of Mr. Peterson,
The assembly took a recess until 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK.

The assembly met,
The speaker in the chair.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in No. 667, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 300, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to prescribe the number and duties of the legislative employes and the compensation of the same."

And has amended, and concurred in as amended,
No. 7, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 469 of the laws of 1891 relating to building and loan associations.

And has non-concurred in

No. 537, A.,

A bill to regulate and control the sale of cigarettes.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The senate amendment, to

No. 7, A.,

Was concurred in.

Mr. Barnum offered an amendment to the title of bill No. 7, A.,
as follows:

"A bill relating to building and loan associations,"

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Polacheck,

The assembly adjourned.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 1897.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.
The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

On motion of Mr. Ray,
The roll call was dispensed with.

The journal of Friday was approved.

At 10:30 the assembly took a recess for one hour.

11:30 O'CLOCK A. M.
The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:
No. 345, A.,

A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, and
prescribing the duties of such commission,

No. 443, A.,

A bill authorizing and directing an investigation of the returns
made to the state by various railroad companies, and for
other purposes,

No. 524, A.,

A bill to amend sections 21 and 28 of chapter 288 of the laws
of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes

of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 138, A.,

A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 215, of the laws of 1880, relating to bonds of county treasurers,

No. 313, A.,

A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnston and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 561, A.,

A bill authorizing county officers to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

No. 431, A.,

A bill relating to civil service in certain counties,

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

No. 183, A.,

A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from sixteen to twenty-five years,

No. 50, A.,

A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has amended, and concurred in as as amended,

No. 619, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars.

And has concurred, in

Jt. Res. No. 63, A.,

Expressing sympathy with Greece.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The question being on concurrence in senate amendment, to No. 619, A.,

Mr. Polacheck at this time raised the question that there was no quorum present.

Mr. Burnham moved that the assembly take a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Polacheck renewed his point of order.

The senate amendment, to

No. 619, A.,

Was concurred in.

The assembly, by order of the speaker, took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 658, A.,

A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of the invalid law known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 275, A.,

A bill to amend sections 5, 12, 13, 18, 64, and to add two new sections numbered 34a and 74a of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consoli-

date and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe a license fee to be paid by such companies for carrying on business within the state,

No. 663, A.,

A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee,

No. 619, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace, drawing-room and sleeping cars,

No. 667, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 300, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to prescribe the number and duties of the legislative employes and the compensatson of the same,"

No. 628, A.,

A bill to authorize a sewer commission to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage for the Menomonie and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

No. 7, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 469 of the laws of 1891, relating to building and loan association,

No. 668, A.,

A bill to amend section 491 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools and providing for the conduct of elections relating thereto,

No. 646, A.,

A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain timber on state lands,

No. 560, A.,

A bill to amend section 27, chapter 288, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 209, A.,

A bill relating to the commitment, care and custody of epileptics, feeble-minded and idiots to the Wisconsin home for feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for the support of persons so committed,

No. 87, A.,

A bill to provide for the condemnation of lands for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

Jt. Res. No. 61, A.,

Expressing appreciation of the legislature owing to appointment of Hon. W. A. Jones, as commissioner of Indian affairs,

No. 102, A.,

A bill relating to building and loan associations,

No. 577, A.,

A bill to amend chapter 266 laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires,

No. 406, A.,

A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities,

No. 103, A.,

A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, of the revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 256 of the laws of 1895,

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

M. H. BARNUM,

Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, April 24, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills, originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 96, A.,

An act authorizing county aid in the improvements of highways,

No. 282, A.,

An act to amend section 1319, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county aid for bridges,

No. 639, A.,

An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph, telephone, or electric light and power lines within the limits of public highways,

No. 353, A.,

An act to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair,

No. 637, A.,

An act to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof,

No. 638, A.,

An act to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, in Door county,

No. 298, A.,

An act to regulate the sale of impure ice,

No. 657, A.,

An act to regulate the pursuit and taking of wild fowl,

No. 636, A.,

An act to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake in the county of Walworth,

No. 584, A.,

An act relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes,

No. 652, A.,

An act relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors, and fixing the time of expiration of term of license in cities,

No. 397, A.,

An act to provide for the assessment and collection of the cost of constructing sewers in certain cases,

No. 539, A.,

An act to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commissioner for that purpose, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 661, A.,

An act to enable and authorize cities of the first class whether operating under general law or special charter to provide for the disposal of their garbage and to erect and acquire crematories and plants for the operation of the same or other garbage-reducing works and to issue bonds for the payment thereof,

No. 654, A.,

An act to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Strickland,

No. 623, A.,

An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking,

No. 332, A.,

An act to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin,

No. 414, A.,

An act to amend chapter 79, laws of 1882, amending chapter 115 of the general laws of Wisconsin entitled "An act to establish a municipal court of the city of Wausau and county of Marathon,"

No. 390, A.,

An act to provide for the investigation of the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin, and providing an appropriation therefor,

No. 378, A.,

An act to organize the Wisconsin State Board of Agriculture,

No. 656, A.,

An act authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages, and the inhabitants thereof, for certain purposes,

No. 640, A.,

An act prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county,

No. 128, A.,

An act relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon, and damages therefor,

No. 108, A.,

An act to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors,

No. 566, A.,

An act authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees,

No. 648, A.,

An act to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state,

No. 91, A.,

An act to authorize the organization of and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies,

No. 373, A.,

An act to amend section 4222 and section 4231, of chapter 177, of the revised statutes, entitled "Of limitation of time for commencement of actions and proceedings,"

No. 359, A.,

An act to authorize Adam L. Hinebaugh, John H. Harrison and Charles O. Law, their associates or assigns, to pick up and secure lost logs, timber, lumber and other floatables, from certain streams and waters in Douglas and Bayfield counties and bordering thereon, and to charge tolls therefor, and enforce the same by lien,

No. 404, A.,

An act to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom,

No. 645, A.,

An act to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menominee river,

No. 376, A.,

An act to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state, and making and appropriation therefor,

No. 394, A.,

An act to amend chapter 315, laws of 1885, entitled, "An act in relation to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages," and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 649, A.,

An act to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds Association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin,

No. 32, A.,

An act to amend chapter 19, of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state," as amended by chapter 283 of the general laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the manner and fixing a uniform rate of assessment for the purpose of taxation of steamboats, vessels and other water craft in this state,"

No. 627, A.,

An act relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885,' entitled 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, relative to highways and bridges,'"

No. 289, A.,

An act relative to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing,

No. 218, A.,

An act to amend chapter 235 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a board of immigration,"

No. 660, A.,

An act to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways,

No. 358, A.,

An act to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee,

No. 474, A.,

An act relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers,

No. 644, A.,

An act to amend section 4342 of the revised statutes, relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

The speaker declared a recess until 2 o'clock p. m., August 17, 1897.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 1897.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met pursuant to a recess taken April 24th.

The speaker in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. W. J. McKay.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Gawin, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wylie, Yorkey and Mr. Speaker—82.

Absent—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Buttles, Clason, Conners, Eaton, Edwards, Goodell, Hughes, Marsh, Merriman, Pierce, Scheffer, Thompson, Webster, Wolff and Wolter.—17.

The journal of April 24 was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Mr. Goodell and Mr. Yorkey indefinitely, and to Mr. Thompson for this session.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 29, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

The following entitled bills, originating in the assembly, have been approved, signed and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

No. 543, A.,

An act relating to the use and ownership of water works and lighting works by cities and villages,

No. 593, A.,

An act authorizing cities of the first, second and third class, whether operating under general or special charter, to license and regulate department stores,

No. 183, A.,

An act to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from sixteen to twenty-five years,

No. 50, A.,

An act to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society,

No. 431, A.,

An act relating to civil service in certain counties,

No. 313, A.,

An act to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895,

No. 138, A.,

An act to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to bonds of county treasurer,

No. 561, A.,

An act authorizing county officers to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds,

No. 524, A.,

An act to amend sections 21 and 28, of chapter 288, of the laws of 1893, entitled, An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes,

No. 443, A.,

An act to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by various railroad companies, and for other purposes,

No. 345, A.,

An act authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission,

No. 103, A.,

An act to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, of the revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled, "of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters as authorized and required by section 3, of chapter 253, of the laws of 1895,

No. 668, A.,

An act to amend section 491, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools, and providing for the conduct of elections relating thereto,

No. 275, A.,

An act to amend sections 5, 12, 13, 18 and 64, and to add two new sections numbered 34a and 74a of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes,"

No. 658, A.,

An act appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 321 of the laws of 1895,

No. 102, A.,

An act regulating building and loan associations,

No. 667, A.,

An act to amend chapter 300, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the number and duties of the legislative employes, and the compensation of the same,"

No. 663, A.,

An act to authorize the appropriation of a battleship fund and the appointment of a committee, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 628, A.,

An act to authorize a sewer commission to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage for the Menomonee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee; and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature,

No. 560, A.,

An act to amend section 27, chapter 288, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the purity and secrecy of the ballot, and for other purposes,"

No. 209, A.,

An act relating to the commitment, care and custody of epileptics, feeble-minded and idiots to the Wisconsin Home for Feeble Minded, and to provide for charges for the support of persons so committed,

No. 577, A.,

An act to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires and making an appropriation therefor,"

No. 406, A.,

An act regulating the granting of franchises in villages and cities,

No. 646, A.,

An act to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands, and making an appropriation therefor,

No. 87, A.,

An act to provide for the condemnation of lands for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities, and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken,

No. 7, A.,

An act relating to building and loan associations.

The following joint resolution has been received and deposited in the office of the secretary of state:

Expressing appreciation of the legislature owing to appointment of Honorable W. A. Jones as commissioner of Indian affairs.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 129, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act to define express companies, and to prescribe the mode of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon."

This bill is returned for the reason that it failed of proper enactment. In its passage there was disregarded the very explicit direction of the constitution that in "the passage in either house of the legislature of any law which imposes, continues or renews a tax . . . the question shall be taken by yeas and nays, and three-fifths of all the members-elect to such house shall in all cases be required to constitute a quorum."

To approve a measure so plainly and vitally defective would be to invite litigation and subject the state to unnecessary expense.

I desire to call your attention to the importance of this measure and also to that of bill No. 619, A., and to urge upon you the necessity for properly enacting both bills before the adjournment of this session.

If we are to maintain in this state a righteous system of taxation, it is necessary that we see to it that large corporations doing business within our borders and receiving without discrimination or stint the full protection of our laws shall not escape paying their just share of the expenses of the government.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 619, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars."

This measure is open to the same objection as that cited against bill No. 129, A.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 56, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12, and to repeal section 7, of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks."

This measure is open to much more serious objections than those urged against the law of 1895, which were pointed out in my biennial message to the legislature, in that instead of placing the full responsibility of bank examining where the banking code con-

templated it should be—upon the state treasurer—it divides it between the state treasurer and the bank examiner, and opens the way for making the office of bank examiner much more expensive than it is at the present time. Besides this, the bill is in opposition to the policy of the legislature as to limiting the number of employes in the various departments, as expressed in the measure known as chapter 355, of the laws of 1897.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I have the honor to return herewith, without approval, bill No. 179, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of property."

This bill was evidently drawn without regard to the provisions of the laws governing the assessment and collection of taxes now on the statute books, and which cover the same ground in a much wiser and more efficient manner.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, without approval, bill No. 280, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the assessment of bank stock."

This measure seems to me to be invalid because it contravenes the provisions of chapter 102, of the laws of 1866, which was adopted by the people at the general election of that year, pursuant to the sections of the constitution which reserve to them substantially all power over legislation concerning the subject of bank and banking powers and privileges.

It is provided by that chapter that "No tax shall hereafter be assessed upon the capital of any bank or banking association organized under the authority of this state; but the stockholders in such banks and banking associations shall be assessed and taxed on the value of their shares of stock therein, at the place where the bank or banking association is located, and not elsewhere." The act contains no provisions for deducting from the value of such shares the value of any real estate whatever held by the bank which issued the shares. The supreme court of this state has said in *State ex rel. vs. Hastings*, 12 Wis., 47, a case involving the validity of a statute which provided for a tax on the capital stock of banks at a fixed percentage, that the taxing power over banks vested in the people is not subject to the limitation imposed upon the legislature by the constitution, viz.: that the rule of taxation shall be uniform. The court further says that "our constitution is a substantial reservation to the people themselves of all legislative power upon the subject of banks and banking. Not only could the legislature not act upon the subject without the assent of the people, but the people retained the power of determining, in every particular, what the bank charters, or general banking law, should be. They could have no force until satisfied by a majority of the voters. . . . The law emanates from the same source as the constitution, and in this respect would seem little inferior in dignity and importance to the constitution."

The same view as to the binding force of a law submitted to and approved by the people, pursuant to the constitution, is held by the court in *Gilkey vs. McKinley*, 75 Wis., 543, a case decided so late as 1890. We have, therefore, what is practically a constitutional provision regulating the taxation of bank stocks; and until that provision is changed by a vote of the people, it is binding upon the legislature and the executive, and can neither be enlarged nor restricted.

If it be contended that the opening words in the law of 1890 should be construed as including real estate owned by banks, the answer is that those words must be read in connection with the law which the act of 1866 superseded. That law, provided that banks should pay a semi-annual tax of three-fourths of one per centum on the amount of their capital stock, and that said stock shall be exempt from all other taxes except on that portion thereof which shall consist of and include the real property of banks, "and the real property of all banks and banking associations shall be assessed and taxed" where the same is located. It seems clear that the purpose of the law of 1866 was to change the method of taxing the capital stock of banks, other than real estate. This view finds confirmation in the fact that until the enactment of chapter 261, laws of 1895, no provision was made for deducting from the value of bank stock the value of any real property

whatever held by banks. A long continued practical construction of a statute is entitled to very great weight in determining its meaning; and the enactment of the laws of 1895 is persuasive in leading to the conclusion that real estate had not previously been regarded as bank capital.

Respectfully,
EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office.
MADISON, April 26, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, without approval, bill No. 448, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river, in Oconto county, state of Wisconsin."

I do not believe that in the terms of this grant of privileges the rights of the public in the premises are properly protected. Two other laws granting dam privileges upon the Oconto river have already been passed during this session, but these more specifically reserve to the public the right to the free use of the waters of the stream. One of these measures, now known as chapter 240, laws of 1897, provides that the dam must be constructed "so as *at all times* to give free and unobstructed passage to all rafts, logs and other lumber passing down said Oconto river."

The other measure, now known as chapter 145, laws of 1897, provides that the slides "shall be kept open at *all times* when the river is at a driving stage, *or the water is being used for driving purposes.*"

The measure herewith returned, provides that "The said Angus McAllister, his associates, heirs or assigns, shall provide booms, constructed so as to allow free passage *through said dam* of any logs, timber or lumber owned or controlled by any other person or corporation free of charge, and shall maintain a sufficient head of water for that purpose."

"Free passage *through said dam*" might be allowed to the public as provided, and then the water be immediately shut off, and thus the passage of the lumber over the rapids below seriously impeded, if not actually prevented.

In measures of this character the local conditions cannot be overlooked if the rights of the public to the use of the streams are to be protected.

Respectfully,
EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, April 26, 1897

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

I return herewith, without approval, bill No. 131, originating in the assembly, entitled, "An act to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools."

All of the sympathy a measure intended to provide for the care of young unfortunates calls for, does not prevent the appearance of defects in this measure of so grave a nature as to lead to the conclusion that if the bill were a law it would fail to accomplish the purpose designed. A mere statement of some of these defects will suffice to justify the withholding of approval.

The bill is silent as to the procedure to be followed in determining who may be committed under it; no provision is made for giving notice to the parent or guardian of any child who may be alleged to be within its terms; it contains no direction as to the ages of the children who may be sent to any school which may be established under it, neither does it fix any age at which children committed may be discharged. No power is given the county board or the agents and teachers it may appoint to provide homes for the inmates or for teaching them trades. The bill confers authority upon the county boards to make such rules and regulations and appoint such agents and teachers for the management of the schools as may seem best; but aside from this merely permissive provision, it is silent as to the mental, moral and industrial training of the children who might come under its provisions. The state ought, in all these respects, to carefully guard the rights of its unfortunate youth.

Respectfully,

EDWARD SCOFIELD,

Governor.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,

Action on the several bills returned by the governor without approval was deferred until tomorrow.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. Flett, of the joint special committee appointed under Jt. Res. No. 7, S., submitted report as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin:

The joint special committee on revision, appointed pursuant to joint resolution No. 7, S., of the session of 1897, have had under consideration, as directed by joint resolution No. 76, S., bill No. 33, S., entitled, "A bill to revise the general statutes of the state of Wisconsin," and respectfully report:

That in compliance with said resolution your committee are able to report from a careful examination of the bill, section by section, and of the session laws for the years of 1879 to 1895, chapter by chapter, that all provisions of the statute law as embodied in the revised statutes of 1878 and said session laws are contained in the bill and the amendments herewith submitted, or their omission is accounted for in this report or by appropriate notes in the bill and the amendments.

That your committee have revised and incorporated by way of amendments, herewith submitted, all the general laws of 1897 except as hereinafter stated, and for ready reference have prepared a table showing the chapters of the laws of 1897 so incorporated and the number of the sections where they are found in such amendments.

Your committee have also prepared and recommended sundry amendments, necessary in their judgment to harmonize and unify the various provisions of law, and in preparing such amendments have also acted upon suggestions received from members of the bar, state officers and judges, as well as the amendments suggested by the revisers in said bill. This has been done in some instances by slight changes in the text of the bill, in others by substitution, and where required by inserting sections. We have recommended some changes in existing statutes, but they relate mostly to details, and in few instances are material departures from the present policy of the statutes, but tend rather to simplify and harmonize the law. Some changes, however, are recommended which are material, notably the increase in the amount of fees required from notaries public, in the land office, and for filing articles of incorporation. These have been submitted in pursuance of suggestions made by the governor and on the theory that the several state departments should be made self-supporting as early as practicable, and for the further reason that in all surrounding states similar fees are much larger.

In incorporating the legislation of 1897 we have attempted to harmonize and assimilate it with the body of the law, preserving its substance and purport rather than phraseol-

ogy, and believe that all the essential provisions thereof have been embodied in the amendments.

Your committee have recommended the omission from the bill of all sections pertaining to the Milwaukee, Dane and Ripon municipal courts, and the superior court of Milwaukee county now embodied in the annotated statutes, as well as all other laws creating or regulating municipal courts and county courts with extended jurisdiction, for the reason that they are not of a general nature, and it not perceived why part should be retained and not all of them; and to embody them all would materially and unnecessarily encumber the statutes; also that all provisions pertaining exclusively to cities of the first and second classes be omitted, for the reason that they apply only to the city of Milwaukee and hence are not of a general nature, there being no city of the second class in the state; also that chapter 165 of the laws of 1897 be omitted for the reason that in their judgment it is clearly unconstitutional, being in violation of the provisions of section 23, article 4, of the state constitution; also that a change be made in the insurance laws embodied in chapter 277 of the laws of 1897 reducing the amount of capital stock required to entitle a foreign surety company to do business in this state from two hundred thousand dollars to one hundred thousand dollars, for the reason that such limitation would prevent all but one of such foreign companies from doing business, thereby shutting out many meritorious companies and depriving the state of a large amount of revenue.

Your committee also submit herewith addenda containing some omissions and proposing changes the need of the latter being brought to their attention after the printing of the body of the report.

In prosecuting the work your committee have constantly been impressed with the increasing bulk of our statutes and have kept in mind the necessity for condensation. Owing to the fact that the revision of the insurance law prepared in accordance with chapter 280 of the laws of 1895 was not adopted by the legislature it became necessary to revise the entire insurance law, which materially added to our labors. We have found that the bill submitted by the revisers has been prepared with the greatest care and accuracy, and is worthy of the highest commendation. Where they have rewritten the law it has always been done in a very terse and clear style with the most painstaking care, and with the result of considerably reducing the amount of matter. Their arrangement of the bill has been made in the most logical order and the amendments proposed by them, have in the main, been found to be well calculated to better carry out the purpose and to harmonize the provisions of the statutes. We acknowledge the efficiency and faithful service which has been rendered the

committee by the revisers. Their ripe experience and familiarity with the work has been invaluable.

Your committee report back the bill with the amendments herewith submitted and recommend its passage when so amended.

Your committee, in further compliance with the provisions of joint resolution number 76, S., herewith submit a bill containing such sections of the revisers' bill and of the amendments thereto, which in their judgment should take immediate effect, by reason of their importance, and also a bill to provide for the purchase and distribution of the statutes, the passage of both of which is hereby recommended.

DANIEL E. RIORDAN, Chairman,
JULIUS E. ROEHR,
JOHN M. WHITEHEAD,

On the part of the Senate.

WILLIAM H. FLETT,
DAVID F. JONES,
WILLIAM G. WHEELER,
LESLIE C. HARVEY,

On the part of the Assembly.

Dated, Madison, Aug. 17, 1897.

On motion of Mr. Tucker,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1897.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. W. J. McKay.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sicker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent—Messrs. Connors, Frink, Gawin, Merriman, Pierce, Sheffer and Wolff—7.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Goodell and Yorkey—2.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Parker:

Jt. Res. No. 64, A.,

Joint resolution to suspend the effect of chapter 367, laws of 1897, relating to the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands.

Which was laid over.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERED.

The communication of the governor returning to the assembly without his approval certain bills,

Were taken up.

The question being, Shall bill

No. 129, A.,

A bill to define express companies and to prescribe the mode of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon,

Pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was passed notwithstanding the objection of the governor.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 78; noes, 11; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wiperman, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—78.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Latta, Overbeck, Polacheck, Staples, Stone, Taylor and Woller—11.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merriman, Pierce, Sheffer, Wolf and Yorkey—10.

No. 619, A.,

A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars,

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was passed notwithstanding the objections of the governor.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 78; noes, 10; absent or not voting, 11.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Plum-

mer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—78.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bullard, Burnham, Latta, Overbeck, Polacheck, Staples, Stone, Taylor and Woller—10.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Clason, Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merriman, Pierce, Sheffer, Welch, Wolff and Yorkey—11.

No. 56, A.,

A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 and to repeal section 7 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks,

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 90; absent or not voting, 9.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wyle and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merriman, Pierce, Sheffer, Wolff and Yorkey—9.

No. 179, A.,

A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes relating to the assessment of property,

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, none; noes, 91; absent or not voting, 8.

Ayes—None.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Goodell, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—91.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Frink, Gawin, Merri-
man, Pierce, Sheffer, Wolff and Yorkey—8.

No. 280, A.,

A bill to amend section 1051 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the assessment of bank stock,

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 2; noes, 87; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes—Messrs. Buffington and Eaton—2.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter and Wylie—87.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merri-
man, Pierce, Rosenkrans, Sheffer, Wolff and Yorkey—10.

No. 448, A.,

A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county, state of Wisconsin,

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 8; noes, 79; absent or not voting, 12.

Ayes—Messrs. Borchsenius, Hall, Harvey, Jensen, Legried, Polacheck, Risum and Staples—8.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Ruth-erford, Schellenberg, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith, J. J., Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wip- perman, Wolfinger, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—79.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merriman, Parker, Pierce, Rosenkrans, Sether, Shef-fer, Wolff and Yorkey—12.

On motion of Mr. Tucker, Consideration of the governor's veto to bill

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county in- dustrial schools,

Was deferred until to-morrow.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed over governor's veto, and asks concurrence of assembly in

No. 252, S.,

An act relating to bakeries and persons employed therein.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The question being on concurrence in the passage of bill No. 252, S., notwithstanding the objections of the governor, his objections were read, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 56; noes, 31; absent or not voting, 12.

Ayes — Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Flett, Fogo, Froeblich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, McDonald, McGrath, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Peterson, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Rutherford, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker — 56.

Noes — Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Cashin, Church, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Hurd, Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Marsh, Merrill, Minch, Morgan, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Utt, Webster, Wheeler, Wolfinger and Woller — 31.

Absent or not voting — Messrs. Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merriman, Parker, Pierce, Rosenkrans, Sether, Sheffer, Wolff and Yorkey — 12.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

Consideration of the report of the joint special committee on revision of the statutes,

Was laid over.

On motion of Mr. Flett,

A recess was taken until 8 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Pet. No. 1212,

Memorial of the mayor and common council of the city of Milwaukee asking for amendment to the statute relating to issue of bonds for construction of a municipal garbage plant.

Pet. No. 1213,

Resolutions adopted at a public meeting held in the city of Milwaukee, August 17, asking for legislation to facilitate construction of a municipal garbage plant.

Which were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The vote by which the assembly refused to concur in the passage of bill No. 252, S., notwithstanding the objections of the governor, was reconsidered.

The question being, Shall the assembly concur in the passage of bill

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

Notwithstanding the objections of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative and the bill was concurred in.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 52; noes, 26; absent or not voting, 21.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Bullard, Buttles, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Flett, Fogo, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Niss, Olson, Parker, Peterson, Plummer, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J.,

Stanley, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—52.

Noes—Messrs. Agen, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Hurd, Jensen, Klabunde, Lange, Latta, Marsh, Minch, Polacheck, Reynolds, Schellenberg, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Utt and Woller—26.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Borchsenius, Buffington, Clason, Connors, Frink, Gawin, Goodell, Merrill, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Pierce, Polley, Risum, Sether, Staples, Taylor, Wolff, Wolfinger, Wylie and Yorkey—21.

On motion of Mr. Davidson,

The assembly adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. tomorrow.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 1897.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met

The speaker in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. W. J. McKay.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—91.

Absent—Messrs. Barnum, Connors, Gawin and Minch—4.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Eaton, Goodell, Wolfinger and Yorkey—4.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Mr. Wolfinger and Mr. Eaton for this session.

The journal of yesterday was approved.

LETTERS, PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Frink:

Pet. No. 1214, A.,

Petition of F. T. Schramm and one hundred others, for the repeal of section 15a of the fish and game law of Wisconsin, for 1897.

Which was laid on the table.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hall:

Jt. Res. No. —, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Assemblyman Davidson be and he is hereby granted permission to introduce two bills. one defining express companies and to prescribe a license fee to be paid by such companies for carrying on business within this state, and one to provide for the licensing of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars.

Unanimous consent being refused the roll was called, and It was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 28; noes, 58; absent or not voting, 13.

Ayes—Messrs. Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Davidson, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hurd, Legried, Lewis, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Niss, Olson, Parker, Pratt, Ray, Rosenkrans, Stanley, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, Thompson, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—28.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Beach, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flag, Frink, Hinds, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller and Wolter—58.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Barnum, Connors, Eaton, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Minch, Taylor, Treat, Wolfinger and Yorkey—13.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION CONSIDERED.

The communication of the governor returning to the assembly without his approval,

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools, laid over from yesterday,

Was taken up.

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 58; noes, 31; absent or not voting, 10.

Ayes — Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Frink, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hughes, Hurlbut, Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Niss, Olson, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sicker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker — 58.

Noes — Messrs. Agen, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clason, Flagg, Froehlich, Hoyt, Hurd, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, Marsh, Merrill, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Polacheck, Reynolds, Risum, Smith D. K., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thompson, Webster, Welch, Wheeler and Wiperman — 31.

Absent or not voting — Messrs. Barnum, Connors, Eaton, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Minch, Taylor, Wolfinger and Yorkey — 10.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

Jt. Res. No. 64, A.,

Joint resolution to suspend the effect of chapter 367, laws of 1897, relating to the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands,

Was laid over.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER.—I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 82, S.,

To suspend the effect of chapter 367, laws of 1897,

And has *non-concurred in* passage over governor's veto, of
No. 129, A.,

An act to define express companies and to prescribe the mode
of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon,

No. 619, A.,

An act to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of
palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 82, S.,

Was laid over.

On motion of Mr. Treat,

A recess was taken until 8 o'clock p. m.

8 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. McGrath,

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

Was recalled from the senate for further consideration.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative:

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 47; noes, 36; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Hogan, Hurd, Jensen, Lange, Latta, Marsh, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Ray, Reynolds, Rissum, Schellenberg, Sether, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thomas, True, Utt, Webster, Welch, Woller and Wylie—47.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Buttles, Clark, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Legried, Lewis, Maertz, McDonald, Polley, Pratt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Thompson, Treat, Tucker, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Wolter and Mr. Speaker—36.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Buffington, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Klabunde, Krauss, Merriman, Niss, Olson, Reinnoldt, Taylor, Wolfinger and Yorkey—16.

On motion of Mr. Jensen,

The vote by which the assembly refused passage of

No. 131, A.,

A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools,

Notwithstanding the objections of the governor,

Was reconsidered.

The question being, Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objection of the governor, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 45; noes, 36; absent or not voting, 18.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Bullard, Church, Clack, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jensen,

Legried, Lewis, McDonald, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stanley, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, White, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—45.

Noes—Messrs. Bechtel, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Clark, Clason, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Hogan, Hoyt, Hurd, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, Maertz, Merrill, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Polacheck, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thompson, Webster, Welch and Wheeler—36.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Buffington, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Klabunde, Krauss, Marsh, Merriman, Niss, Olson, Reinnoldt, Taylor, Wipperman, Wolfinger and Yorkey—18.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 83, S.,

Permitting Senator Munson to introduce two bills.

Jt. Res. No. 85, S.,

Relating to trans-Mississippi and international exposition.

Jt. Res. No. 86, S.,

For the suspension of the rules for the immediate consideration of No. 33, S.

Jt. Res. No. 88, S.,

On the death of Hon. James R. Doolittle.

And is unable to comply with the request of the assembly for the return of

No. 252, S.,

A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein,

As the same is no longer in its possession, but has been deposited in the office of the secretary of state.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Mr. Stone moved to amend by striking out the name of "Sen. Munson" where it occurred in Jt. Res. No. 83, S., and insert in place thereof "Mr. Davidson."

Mr. Hall moved to amend by striking out all parts of the resolution except the paragraphs authorizing Mr. Davidson to introduce two bills under titles named,

Which amendments were adopted.

The resolution as amended,

Was non-concurred in.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 61; noes, 19; absent or not voting, 19.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Jensen, Lange, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Pierce, Plummer, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Stone, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—61.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Jones D. F., Latta, Maertz, Marsh, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Polacheck, Risum, Rutherford, Sieker, Staples, Sweeting, Utt, Wheeler and Wolter—19.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Hurlbut, Klabunde, Krauss, Merriman, Niss, Olson, Polly, Reinnoldt, Taylor, Tucker, Wolfinger and Yorkey—19.

Jt. Res. No. 86, S.,

Was concurred in.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 81; noes, 1; absent or not voting, 17.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, Legried, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—81.

Noes—Mr. Buffington—1.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Connors, Dresser, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Klabunde, Krauss, Merriman, Niss, Olson, Reinnoldt, Taylor, Thomas, Wolfinger and Yorkey—17.

Jt. Res. No. 85, S., and Jt. Res. No. 88, S.,

Were severally concurred in.

On motion of Mr. D. F. Jones,
A recess of 30 minutes was taken.

10 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

Mr. Clason moved to adjourn,
Which motion was lost.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Ray:

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Davidson be permitted to re-introduce a bill to license express companies, and a bill to license the owners of drawing-room cars, sleeping cars and palace cars,

Which was not adopted.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 52; noes, 23; absent or not voting, 24.

Ayes—Messrs. Agen, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bul-lard, Burnham, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flett, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Legried, Lewis, Merrill, McDorald, McGrath, Morgan, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Rein-noldt, Reynolds, Sether, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Stanley, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—52.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Cashin, Flagg, Fogo, Frink, Jones D. F., Lange, Latta, Maertz, Marsh, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Risum, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Staples, Sweet-ing, Utt, Webster, Wheeler and Wolter—23.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Barnum, Borchsenius, Con-nors, Eaton, Feige, Gawin, Goodell, Hindes, Klabunde, Krauss, Merriman, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Olson, Plummer, Polacheck, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, Wolfinger and Yorkey—24.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 33, S.,

A bill to revise the general statutes of Wisconsin.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 33, S.,

Was read first and second times and referred to general file.

On motion of Mr. Wheeler,

The assembly adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 1897.

9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. H. A. Winter.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Scheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—90.

Absent—Mr. Connors—1.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Agen, Gawin, Goodell, Legried, Olson, Stanley, Wolfinger and Yorkey—8.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Agen, Gawin and Legried, and to Mr. Polley after this session.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

No. 411, S.,

A bill to appropriate to the persons therein named the sum of five hundred dollars each.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly, in

Jt. Res. No. 89, S.,

Relating to engrossment and enrollment of No. 33, S., a bill to revise the general statutes.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED.

No. 411, S.,

Was read first and second times and referred to general file.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

All rules interfering with the immediate consideration of

No. 411, S.,

Were suspended.

No. 411, S.,

Was then read a third time at length and concurred in.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 74; noes, 3; absent or not voting, 22.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Flagg, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Treat, True, Tucker, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—74.

Noes—Messrs. Hall, Lange and McGrath—3.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Borchsenius, Connors, Eaton, Feige, Fogo, Gawin, Goodell, Harvey, Klabunde, Krauss, Legried, Merriman, Olson, Reinholdt, Rosenkrans, Stanley, Thompson, Utt, Wheeler, Wolfinger, and Yorkey—22.

Jt. Res. No. 89, S.,

Was unanimously concurred in.

Jt. Res. No. 82, S.,

To suspend the effect of chapter 367, laws of 1897,

Objection being made to its consideration, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the negative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 59; noes, 25; absent or not voting, 15.

Ayes—Messrs. Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington Bullard, Burnham, Cashin, Church, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Fogo, Frink Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Schellenberg, Smith D. K., Sweeting, Treat, Tucker, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—59.

Noes—Messrs. Ackermann, Barnum, Borschsenius, Buttles, Clack, Clark, Flett, Hurd, Jensen, Morgan, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Risum, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Staples, Stone, Taylor, Thomas, True, Utt, White and Wolter—25.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Connors, Eaton, Gawin, Goodell, Legried, Merriman, Olson, Pratt, Rutherford, Smith J. J., Stanley, Thompson, Wolfinger and Yorkey—15.

Mr. Parker was granted permission to withdraw,
Jt. Res. No. 64, A.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Overbeck,

All rules interfering with the immediate consideration of
No. 33, S.,

A bill to revise the general statutes for the state of Wisconsin
Were suspended.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

Reading of sections in No. 33, S., containing appropriations,
Was dispensed with by unanimous consent, and
No. 33, S.,

Was read a third time and concurred in.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 85; noes, none; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borschsenius, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Edwards, Feige, Flagg,

Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lange, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Plummer, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinnoldt, Reynolds, Risum, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sether, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolf, Wolter, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—85.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Buffington, Connors, Eaton, Gawin, Goodell, Legried, Merriman, Mosher, Olson, Rosenkrans, Stanley, Wolfinger and Yorkey—14.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks the concurrence of assembly, in

No. 410, S.,

A bill to provide for an additional circuit judge in and for the second judicial circuit,

No. 413, S.,

A bill to provide for the immediate taking effect of certain sections of the statutes of 1898, as reported by the revisors and the joint committee on revision.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED.

No. 410, S.,

Was read first and second times and referred to committee on Claims.

No. 413, S.,

Was read first and second times and referred to general file.

Mr. Anson moved that all rules interfering with immediate consideration of

No. 413, S.,

Be suspended, and objection being made, and

83—A. J.

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 68; noes, 19; absent or not voting, 12.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lewis, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Pierce, Plummer, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stone, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—68.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Bechtel, Burnham, Cashin, Clason, Flagg, Fogo, Hurd, Jensen, Lange, Maertz, McGrath, Peterson, Polacheck, Risum, Smith D. K., Staples, Utt and Webster—19.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Connors, Gawin, Goodell, Latta, Legried, Olson, Sether, Stanley, Sweeting, Wolfinger and Yorkey—12.

The question being on concurring in No. 413, S., and

The ayes and ayes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 73; noes, 12; absent or not voting, 14.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Buttles, Church, Clack, Clark, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flett, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith J. J., Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—73.

Noes—Messrs. Barnum, Burnham, Cashin, Clason, Flagg, Fogo, Jensen, Lange, Polacheck, Risum, Smith D. K. and Staples—12.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Connors, Gawin, Goodell, Latta, Legried, McGrath, Olson, Plummer, Sether, Stanley, Wheeler, Wolfinger and Yorkey—14.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The joint committee on Claims, to whom was referred;
No. 410, S.,

A bill to provide for an additional circuit judge in and for the second judicial circuit,

Have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back with the recommendation that it be concurred in.

GEO. H. RAY,
Chairman.

BILLS TO BE ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Mr. Anson offered the following amendment to No. 410, S.:

Amend by striking out the senate amendments as far as not included in the printed bill,

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Anson,

All rules interfering with the immediate consideration of
No. 410, S.,

Were suspended.

The question being on concurring in the bill as amended,
and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 76; noes, 7; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Butties, Cashin, Church, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froeblich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Maertz, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, Minch, Morgan, Mosher, Niss, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Risum, Rosenkrans, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wipperman, Wolff, Woller, Wolter and Wylie—76.

Noes—Messrs. Borchsenius, Clack, Lewis, Marsh, Tucker, Utt and Mr. Speaker—7.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Connors, Gawin, Goodell, Jones D. F., Lange, Legried, McGrath, Olson, Overbeck, Plummer, Sether, Stanley, Thomas, Wolfinger and Yorkey—16.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has passed, and asks concurrence of the assembly, in

No. 412, S.,

A bill to provide for the preparation and publication of the statutes of 1898, the furnishing of the same to public officers and for other purposes.

And has adopted, and asks concurrence of assembly in

Jt. Res. No. 90, S.,

Relating to the enrollment of bill No. 413, S.,

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

No. 412, S.,

Was read first and second times.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

All rules interfering with the immediate consideration of

No. 412, S.,

Were suspended.

The bill was read a third time at length, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative.

The vote was as follows: Ayes, 83; noes, none; absent or not voting, 16.

Ayes—Messrs. Ackermann, Anson, Barnum, Beach, Bechtel, Borchsenius, Buffington, Bullard, Burnham, Buttles, Cashin, Church, Clack, Clark, Clason, Davidson, Dresser, Eaton, Edwards, Feige, Flagg, Flett, Fogo, Frink, Froehlich, Hall, Harvey, Hindes, Hogan, Hoyt, Hughes, Hurd, Hurlbut, Jensen, Jones D. F., Klabunde, Krauss, Latta, Lewis, Maertz, Marsh, Merrill, Merriman, McDonald, McGrath, Minch, Morgan, Niss, Overbeck, Parker, Peterson, Pierce, Polacheck, Polley, Pratt, Ray, Reinholdt, Reynolds, Rutherford, Schellenberg, Sheffer, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Staples, Stone, Sweeting, Taylor, Thompson, Treat, True, Tucker, Utt, Webster, Welch, Wheeler, White, Wippermann, Wolff, Woller, Wolter, Wylie and Mr. Speaker—83.

Noes—None.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Agen, Connors, Gawin, Goodell, Lange, Legried, Mosher, Olson, Plummer, Risum, Rosenkrans, Sether, Stanley, Thomas, Wolfinger and Yorkey—16.

Jt. Res. No. 90, S.,
Was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Stone,
The assembly took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Flett,
No. 29, A.,
A bill to revise the general statutes of Wisconsin,
Was indefinitely postponed.

The speaker declared a recess for fifteen minutes.

3.15 O'CLOCK.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:—

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in the assembly amendment, to

No. 410, S.,

A bill to provide for an additional circuit judge in and for the second judicial circuit.

4:45 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Pierce:

Jt. Res. No. 64, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature do adjourn without day on the 20th day of August,

1897, at 5:15 o'clock p. m., and that the presiding officer of each house thereof at said time declare the house over which he presides so adjourned.

Which was adopted.

By Mr. Stone:

Jt. Res. No. 65, A.,

Resolved, That a joint committee of one from the senate and two from the assembly be appointed to wait upon the governor and notify him that the legislature is about to adjourn, and ascertain if he has any further communication to make to the legislature.

Which was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in

Jt. Res. No. 64, A.,

Fixing time for final adjournment,

Jt. Res. No. 65, A.,

For appointment of committee to wait on governor.

And has appointed Senator Austin as member of such committee on part of senate.

Under Jt. Res. No. 65, A., the speaker appointed Messrs. Stone and Dresser as members of such committee on the part of the assembly.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office.

MADISON, August 20, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

I desire at this time to thank your honorable body for the courteous treatment which you have so uniformly accorded me since this legislature first met on January 13th.

I desire also to express to you the pleasure I have felt at the manner in which you have carried on the important work of

this adjourned session. The earnestness with which you have undertaken the duties before you, the confidence in each other as men that you have manifested, and which as a body you have shown in your revision committee, cannot but inspire a similar confidence on the part of the people in the completed work of the session. I congratulate you upon the outcome of your labors.

Respectfully,
EDWARD SCOFIELD,
Governor.

Under authority of Jt. Res. No. 64, A., the speaker declared the 43rd session of the assembly adjourned without date.

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No. 13, A..... A bill to vacate a cemetery in the first ward of the city of Watertown, Wisconsin.	70 167	126 167 672	175	590	766	68	147
No. 14, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 203, laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics.	70 380	333 380 588 444	456	541	656	23	360 444
No. 15, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 203 of the general laws of 1895, relating to the treatment and cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of drugs and other narcotics.	72	63	633
No. 16, A..... A bill for the improvement of the public roads.	72	939	957
No. 17, A..... A bill for the distribution of the blue book.	72 853	1029 316 811 852 866	883	974	1080	213	316 828
No. 18, A..... A bill to legalize the acts of O. A. Warren, Jr as a justice of the peace within and for the county of Barron.	72	863	881
No. 19, A..... A bill to submit to the qualified electors of the state of Wisconsin, an amendment to article 4, section 1 and section 17 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.	72	702	731
No. 20, A..... A bill to amend sections 52 and 136 of chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."	73	581	617
No. 21, A..... A bill to regulate and limit the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend persons charged with offenses in the courts of this state, and to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes.	73	174 235 300	185 300	318	758	185 235

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No. 22, A..... A bill to amend sections 2527, 2535, and to repeal section 2536 of the revised statutes relating to the drawing of jurors.	73	174 231 300	185 300	318	758	185 234
No. 23, A..... A bill to amend chapter 323 of the laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."	73 685 695	607 685 698 853 902	635	.... .... .... .... ....	717	875	1078	139	635 698
No. 24, A..... A bill to amend section 1109 chapter 49 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "Of the collection of taxes."	73	115 132 333	128	....	153	280	656	7	123
No. 25, A..... A bill to legalize election districts in certain cases.	73 360	330 581	617	....	....	....	....	....	....
No. 26, A..... A bill relating to the university and amendatory of section 1 of chapter 289, of the general laws of 1889.	73 329 435	306 335 380 506	.... .... .... ....	.... .... .... ....	.... .... .... ....	.... .... .... ....	.... .... .... ....	.... .... .... ....	320 435 534 606, 529
No. 27, A..... A bill providing for the election of town road overseers, the payment of the town tax in work or in money and the survey and care of the roads.	74	1090	1104	....	....	....	....	....	....
No. 28, A..... A bill to amend chapter 263, laws of 1895, in relation to payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state.	74	1107	1132	....	....	....	....	....	....
No. 29, A..... A bill to revise the general statutes of Wisconsin.	78	132	1309	....	....	....	....	....	132
No. 30, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, relating to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases.	78	493	509	....	....	....	....	....	....
No. 31, A..... A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses.	78	307	321	....	....	....	....	....	....
No. 32, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft.	78 492	1245 451 492 518	486 531 1221 1251 1258	.... .... .... .... ....	531	1220	1272	330	452 486
No. 33, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of steamboats, vessels and other water craft.	79	451	484	....	....	....	....	....	452
No. 34, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 382, of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a deep channels commissioner of Wisconsin and to make appropriations therefor."	79	603	633

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No. 35, A..... A bill to amend chapter 48, section 1052, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled "How property to be valued," by adding thereto.	79	167	176
No. 36, A..... A bill relating to removal of fences, widening or altering any public highway through any inclosed, cultivated or improved lands, and amendatory of section 1284 of chapter 52, of the annotated statutes.	79	610	.....	633	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 37, A..... A bill to amend sub-division 2, section 638, of Sanborn & Berryman's revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the purposes for which county bonds may be issued.	79 159 442 450	133 367 442 450 645	436	.....	456	562	765	41	159 436
No. 38, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 331, of the laws of 1895, relating to a fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teacher's certificates.	79	306	.....	321	.....	.....	.....	.....	306
No. 39, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 268 of the laws of 1889, entitled "An act in relation to the drawing, striking and empaneling of juries in certain cases."	79	493	.....	509	.....	.....	.....	.....	542
No. 40, A..... A bill to appropriate to the governor's contingent fund a sum of money therein named.	79	116 382	.....	.....	116	346	656	8	..........
No. 41, A..... A bill to regulate the practice of medicine in Wisconsin, and to license physicians and surgeons, and punish persons violating the provisions of this act.	80	835	.....	879	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 42, A..... A bill to authorize George C. Schmidt to keep and maintain a ferry across the St. Croix river.	80 357	317 357 645 445	.....	.....	456	562	765	39	339 445
No. 43, A..... A bill to legalize the incorporation of the Vernon Literary Hall Company, located at Big Bend, Wisconsin.	80	132 167	.....	.....	175	393 759	.....	.....	159 394
No. 44, A..... A bill to authorize Manitowoc Building Supply Company, a Wisconsin corporation, its successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dock and pier extending into Lake Michigan.	80	942	.....	959	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 45, A..... A bill relating to improvement of highways and amendatory of section 1236, chapter 52, of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin.	80 301 334	271 301 334 738	.....	.....	359	689	892	76	283 301 334
No. 46, A..... A bill amending chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, entitled "An act to incorporate the Milwaukee Gaslight company."	80	391	437

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No. 47, A. A bill to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river, from Buffalo county, in the state of Wisconsin, to the city of Wabasha, in the state of Minnesota.	80 480 507	365 480 507 672	590	590	766	67	384
No. 48, A. A bill to amend chapter 171, laws of 1883, relating to private insane asylums.	80 380	331 380 444 1035	361	.....	456	616	.....	.....	1234 361 444 616 632 1235
No. 49, A. A bill to cheapen the cost of the administration of estates of moderate value in probate courts, and amendatory of section 2455, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, being section 2455 of chapter 114 of revised statutes of 1878.	81 193 305	182 289 335 380	305	.....	434	.....	.....	.....	193 305 1189
No. 50, A. A bill to appropriate a sum of money to the Wisconsin Agricultural society.	84 183 434	183 315 1184 1245 1266	1232	.....	1251	1261	1274	351	1240 1231 1233 1204 339 324 359 386 434 1220
No. 51, A. A bill to amend chapter 154, laws of 1895, entitled "An act relating to the destruction of noxious weeds and amendatory of chapter 145 of the laws of 1893."	84	331	.....	360	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 52, A. A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to the duties of assessors.	84	173 235 299 602	185	.....	318	468	657	24	185 235
No. 53, A. A bill to provide for the registration of physicians, surgeons, midwives and all others engaged in treating persons afflicted with disease.	85	1089	.....	1104	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 54, A. A bill to prevent the improper and corrupt use of money in elections.	85	1197	.....	1211	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 55, A. A bill in relation to assessment for taxation purposes of certain classes of personal property therein named.	85 207 795 823	127 714 795 810 1045	.....	1066	.....	.....	.....	.....	147 160 207 743 857
No. 56, A. A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks.	85	257 317 289 1227	1191	.....	338	1190	.....	.....	275 289 1277 1287
No. 57, A. A bill relating to the release of options.	85	303	.....	320	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 58, A. A bill to prescribe the manner of appointing deputy county treasurers and amendatory of section 711 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, entitled "Of county officers."	85 167	127 167 737	175	689	892	75	147

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No. 59, A.	85	127	147	176	280	656	9	147
A bill to amend section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases.		167							
		333							
No. 60, A.	88	1109							
A bill to regulate the filing of bonds by insurance agents in cities of 100,000 or more, incorporated and operating under special charters.	1109								
No. 61, A.	88	833	906	....	954	1019	1187	227	906
A bill relating to special assessments for the paving or repaving of any street or avenue with a permanent paving having concrete foundation and bordering on a public park in cities having a population of 100,000 or over.	917	917							
		942							
		1093							
No. 62, A.	88	581		617	....			
A bill relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets, the making of gutters and sidewalks thereon, and the laying of sewer and water pipes therein and the issuing of improvement bonds thereon in cities of 50,000 inhabitants and upwards.									
No. 63, A.	89	271			359	481			283
A bill to authorize the auditing of certain bills in cities having a population of 100,000 or more.	300	300							300
	334	334							334
		603							674
									687
No. 64, A.	89	755		771	....			
A bill providing for allegation in complaints, indictments or informations for larceny, and the evidence thereof.									
No. 65, A.	89	607	635	....	690	844	1077	146	635
A bill to provide for the filling of vacancies in city offices in cities in this state having a population of 100,000 or more.	644	644	690	....				
		672							
		872							
No. 66, A.	89	166		176	....			
A bill to repeal all laws requiring the publication of official matters by municipal corporations in the Polish language.									
No. 67, A.	89	837		879	....			
A bill to authorize cities having a population of 50,000 or more inhabitants to purchase or build and equip street railways and operate, sell or lease the same and issue bonds to so purchase or build.									
No. 68, A.	89	719		743	....			
A bill to regulate the delivery of prepaid telegrams and express packages.									
No. 69, A.	89	391		437	....			
A bill to amend chapter 207, of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to confer limited particular rights upon a certain class of towns."									
No. 70, A.	89								182
A bill to amend section 1024, chapter 47, of the annotated statutes, relating to records of death.									
No. 71, A.	90	903	552	....	629	875	1077	145	159
A bill to authorize George W. Volk and others to erect and maintain a dam across Oconto river in Oconto county, Wisconsin.	159	132							552
	589	588							
		589							
		602							

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No. 72, A..... A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154 of the laws of 1895.	90 441	332 441 467 757	361.....	482	677	892	82	361
No. 73, A..... A bill to amend chapter 310 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled "An act relating to special assessments for grading, paving and improving streets and the issue of improvement bonds therefor in cities of 20,000 inhabitants and upwards."	90 182	182 833	879.....					
No. 74, A..... A bill to provide for the payment by the clerk of the municipal court and police court of the city of Milwaukee to the city treasurer of all bail moneys deposited with him which remain uncalled for two years.	90 234	207 182 234 300 603	300 482.....	318	481	764	36	207 234
No. 75, A..... A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."	90 517	491 517 540 842		564	813	893	110	510
No. 76, A..... A bill authorizing Manufacturers' bank of New Richmond, Wisconsin, to reduce its capital stock.	92	183 235 299 527		318	454	656	17	207 235
No. 77, A..... A bill to vacate the state park and to bring the lands located therein, and other lands, into market.	93	981 1185						980
No. 78, A..... A bill making a contract to insure property void unless some note or memorandum thereof is made in writing, signed by such corporation or its agent, and amendatory of section 2307 of chapter 105 of the revised statutes.	93	234.....	266.....					
No. 79, A..... A bill to authorize Sidney H. Waterman to erect, maintain and keep a dam across Cranberry creek, Burnett county, Wisconsin.	93 795 823	751 795 810 1028		823	974	1080	207	
No. 80, A..... A bill to amend section 750 of the revised statutes, in regard to district attorneys.	93 319 795 823	182 234 299 754 795 810		823				207 234 319 771 945
No. 81, A..... A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893, entitled "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state, and containing a population of three thousand or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."	93 644	607 644 673 944	635.....	690	875	1078	173	635
No. 82, A..... A bill providing for an increase of appropriation to the state historical society.	93 764 969	1135 763 914 963 996	996.....	1011	1099	1188	263	932 969

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No. 83, A. A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county court of Jefferson county.	93 358	233 303 358 686	456	590	766	71	266 320 445
No. 84, A. A bill to amend section 162 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the formation and powers of street railways	93	582	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 85, A. A bill to authorize the proper state officers to pay the special assessments for the year 1888, against the property of the state in the city of Milwaukee, commonly known as the "Wisconsin industrial school for girls."	94 852	811 853 867 1029	830	.....	883	974	1080	214	830
No. 86, A. A bill allowing persons to cross private lands in order to fish in public streams of the state.	112	755	.....	771	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 87, A. A bill to provide for the condemnation of land for highway and boulevard purposes beyond the limits of incorporated cities and for the assessment of benefits and damages for property so taken.	112 872	809 872 912 1269	1238	.....	92	1235	1276	365	828
No. 88, A. A bill relating to trials by jury.	112	255	.....	275	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 89, A. A bill relating to local self-government of cities.	112	639	.....	659	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 90, A. A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 159 of the laws of 1852, relating to the Milwaukee Gaslight company.	112	391	.....	437	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 91, A. A bill to authorize the organization of, and to regulate mutual live stock insurance companies.	112 1018	1175 1227 981 1017 1028 1206	1003 1207	.....	1037	1174	1271	316	1003
No. 92, A. A bill to foster and encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin.	112	698	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 93, A. A bill regulating the propelling of steam engines on highways in cities and villages.	113	491	.....	509	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 94, A. A bill to amend sub-division 1 of section 2646 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to pleading in courts of record.	113	182	.....	207	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 95, A. A bill to amend section 2988 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to levy on corporate stock.	113 234 300	182 234 300 646	300	.....	318	562	765	46	208 234
No. 96, A. A bill authorizing county aid in the improvement of highways.	113 853	809 853 867 1161	830	882	1138	1269	268	830

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No. 97, A. A bill to prevent the establishment of a saloon and the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of grounds or parks owned or leased by old settlers' societies or associations and occupied by such society for meetings, celebrations, picnics and pleasurable gatherings.	113	256	275
No. 98, A. A bill providing for making the office of register of deeds a salaried one.	113 685	641 685 697 944	661 904	.....	717	904	1078	165	661 876 844 877
No. 99, A. A bill providing for making the office of clerk of circuit court a salaried office.	113	640	.....	659	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 100, A. A bill repealing chapter 235, laws of 1895, establishing a board of immigration.	113	440	.....	483	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 101, A. A bill to prohibit the leaving open of wells and cisterns in cities and villages.	114	388	.....	437	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 102, A. A bill regulating building and loan associations.	114 1093	968 1093 1113 1268	1064 1249	.....	1122	1235	1275	368	1064 1238
No. 103, A. A bill to amend, codify and revise chapter 27, revised statutes of 1878, entitled "Of common schools," and chapter 28, revised statutes of 1878, entitled "Of the distribution of the school fund income," and of laws amendatory of those chapters, as authorized and required by section 3 of chapter 253 of the laws of 1895.	114 1134	1033 1134 1161 1269	1064	.....	1179	1189	1275	354	1064
No. 104, A. A bill granting to Oliver G. Howard the right to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin, from Stockholm, Wis., to Lake City, Minn., and repealing chapter 468 of the laws of 1891.	114 235	235 363	.....	384	.....	.....	.....	.....	235
No. 105, A. A bill to amend chapter 404 of the general laws of 1889, entitled "An act to cure defects in certain conveyances of real property," and to amend section 1 of chapter 26, of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to amend section 1 of chapter 288, of the laws of 1891, relating to defects in recorded instruments."	114	233	.....	266	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 106, A. A bill to amend section 90 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, relating to the letting of contracts for public work in cities.	114	607	.....	633	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 107, A. A bill granting ferry privileges to Oliver Tuttle, of the village of Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years.	114	256	275

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No. 108, A. A bill to amend section 1565e of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to excise and the sale of intoxicating liquors.	114	183 234 29 1206	319	1174	1271	300	208
No. 109, A. A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 125 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments.	115	755	.....	771	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 110, A. A bill to establish a board of railroad commissioners, prescribe their qualifications, fix their salaries, and for the appointment of a secretary for such board and to fix his salary.	115	968	.....	1094	.....	.....	.....	.....	987 1005 1055
No. 111, A. A bill to regulate railway corporations and other common carriers in this state and to define the powers and duties of the board of railway commissioners in relation to the same, and to prevent and punish extortion and unjust discriminations in the rates charged for the transportation of passengers and freights on railroads in this state, and to prescribe the mode of procedure and rules of evidence in relation thereto, and to repeal all laws in force in direct conflict with the provisions of this act.	115	968	.....	1095	.....	.....	.....	.....	987 1005 1055
No. 112, A. A bill to amend section 1, chapter 49, laws of 1893, entitled "An act to authorize the county of Dunn to build, equip and maintain a free ferry across the Chippewa river within the limits of Dunn county."	115 300 334	272 300 334 588	.....	.....	383	481	656	25	283 300 334
No. 113, A. A bill authorizing the state board of control to appoint an agent and fixing his compensation.	115 553 729	537 700 866	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	553
No. 114, A. A bill to provide for the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands.	124	981 1185	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	980
No. 115, A. A bill to encourage the beet sugar industry in Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money for that purpose.	125	834	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 116, A. A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895 relating to duties and powers of superintendents of work house.	125	308 335 381 602	321	.....	434	541	656	26	321
No. 117, A. A bill amendatory of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee."	125 301 334	255 301 334 645	.....	.....	359	562	.....	.....	275 301 334 675
No. 118, A. A bill to amend sections 7 and 20 of chapter 290, laws of 1895, authorizing the establishment of work houses.	125 320	307 335 381	.....	.....	456	541	656	27	688 320
No. 119, A. A bill to authorize the common council of any city in this state having a population of 100,000 or more, to cause railway companies to erect retaining walls in certain cases.	125	749	771

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No. 120, A..... A bill relating to liability of common carriers.	125	613	633
No. 121, A..... A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils for use in the state of Wisconsin, and to repeal chapter 269 of the laws of 1880, as amended by chapter 281 of the laws of 1881.	125 193 358	182 301 358 445 812	321	456 759 893	114	193 321 445
No. 122, A..... A bill to provide for the assessment for street improvements, sewers and water pipes of lands in cities owned or used by cemetery associations.	125	516 588 612 812	543 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	629 759 893 .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	93	543
No. 123, A..... A bill for the suppression of foul brood among bees in Wisconsin.	126 389	426 389 586 644 697	619 ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	717 895 1078 ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	150	619 697
No. 124, A..... A bill authorizing the purchase of Ira A. Ridgway's painting of Old Fort Winnebago.	126 385	364 642 722	..... ..... .....	743 ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	642
No. 125, A..... A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Racine county.	126 335 300	175 235 300 672	185 300 591 .....	..... ..... ..... .....	319 590 766 .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	66	185 235
No. 126, A..... A bill to establish and provide for a sub-state fair for the northern part of the state, to be held at Chippewa Falls.	126 389 795	389 1029 795 742	744 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	824 997 1079 .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	212	744
No. 127, A..... A bill to amend section 3323 of the revised statutes relating to liens of mechanics and others.	126	255 317 289 757	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	338 689 892 .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	80	275 289
No. 128, A..... A bill relating to newspaper publications, maintaining actions for libel thereon and damages therefor.	126 635 822 841	579 754 822 1220 841	812 1200 1307 ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	856 1174 1271 ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	298	1177 635 801 812 1200
No. 129, A..... A bill to define express companies and to prescribe the mode of taxing the same, and to fix the rate of taxation thereon.	126	869 994 1010	932 1268 1237	..... ..... .....	1037 1235 .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	909 932 1276 1286 1296
No. 130, A..... A bill to prohibit pool selling and the receiving and transmitting of bets.	130	583 644 697 995	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	716 974 1079 .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	187	636
No. 131, A..... A bill to authorize counties to build and maintain county industrial schools.	131 922	753 822 841 1266	802 1238 ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	856 1235 ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	7289 802 1280 1295 1297
No. 132, A..... A bill to amend sub-section 3 of section 836 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to settlement with town treasurers.	131	272 300 334 757	359 689 862	81	283 300 334

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No. 133, A. A bill to detach certain territory from the towns of Holway and Grover, in the county of Taylor, and to create the town of Aurora.	131 730 756	700 756 781 995	730	797	974	1079	185	730
No. 134, A. A bill to amend section 1259 of the annotated statutes relating to the returning of highway taxes.	131	256	....	275	....	....	....	....	....
No. 135, A. A bill to amend sections 2484, 2485, 2493, 2497, 2498 and 2593 of the revised statutes, relating to municipal court of the city and town of Ripon.	131 518	494 518 587 842	511	....	604	784	893	128	511
No. 136, A. A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the exemption of earnings.	131 685	1227 641 685 698	....	....	767	1207	....	....	1247 661 698 727 762
No. 137, A. A bill to amend sections 662 and 663 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to county board of supervisors.	131	257	....	275	....	....	....	....	....
No. 138, A. A bill to amend section 710 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 1880, relating to the bonds of county treasurers.	131 320	306 336 381 757 1266	1261	....	434	689 1261	1274	347	1261 320 782 895 777
No. 139, A. A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of the laws of 1895, relating to the terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the work house of any county or counties.	132	809	....	830	....	....	....	....	....
No. 140, A. A bill relating to prison labor.	151	891	....	909	....	....	....	....	....
No. 141, A. A bill providing for employment of convict labor.	151	891	....	909	....	....	....	....	....
No. 142, A. A bill to authorize the building of viaducts across gullies, running streams or railroad tracks by counties in this state, and for the issuing of county bonds therefor.	151	966	....	....	....	....	....	....	1055
No. 143, A. A bill to appropriate the sums of money therein named to the Wisconsin industrial school for girls.	151	174 273 334 381	185	....	435	495	656	28	185 283
No. 144, A. A bill amending and construing chapter 377, laws of 1885, entitled "An act to establish a state public school for dependent and neglected children; to appropriate certain sums of money therein named," approved April 9th, 1885.	151	174 234 299 903	....	....	319	875	1078	142	185 234
No. 145, A. A bill to amend section 448 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes relating to teachers in common schools.	151 685	581 685 697	728	648 728

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No. 146, A. A bill to require tax rolls in towns and villages to be indexed.	151	301	320
No. 147, A. A bill to amend sections 2 and 3, chapter 243, laws 1895, entitled "An act to codify and amend the laws relating to countersigning diplomas and life certificates."	151	258	.....	275	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 148, A. A bill granting ferry privileges to P. N. Tuttle, his associates, heirs and assigns, for a term of years.	151 235	235 363	.....	384	.....	.....	.....	.....	235
No. 149, A. A bill to amend section 3730, relating to garnishment proceedings in justice courts.	151 335 383	303 335 381 645	.....	.....	434	562	765	42	320
No. 150, A. A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into this state, or in the manufacture and sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material; to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations designed, or which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or article to producer or consumer of any such product or article; to provide for forfeiture in the charter and franchise of any corporation organized under the laws of this state, violating any of the provisions of this act; to prohibit every foreign corporation, violating any of the provisions of this act, from doing business in this state; to require the attorney general of this state to institute legal proceedings against any such corporations violating the provisions of this act, and to enforce the penalties prescribed; to prescribe penalties for any violations of this act; to authorize any person or corporation, damaged by any such trust, agreement, or combination, to sue for the recovery of such damage and for other purposes.	151	443	.....	483	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 151, A. A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, by chapter 296 of the laws of 1885, and by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to exercise and the sale of intoxicating liquors.	151	256	.....	275	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 152, A. A bill to amend sections 1990, 1993 and 1995 of the revised statutes, relating to religious societies.	152	174 234 299 526	.....	.....	319	454	656	18	185 234
No. 153, A. A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin, for the year 1895, entitled "An act to create a municipal court for the county of Oneida."	152 317 289	233 317 289 645	338	562	765	44	267 289

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No. 154, A..... A bill relating to the naturalization and the declaration of intention of aliens to become citizens of the United States.	152	307	321
No. 155, A..... A bill to amend chapter 125, laws of Wisconsin of 1895, relating to affidavits taken in other states.	156	314	.....	339	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 156, A..... A bill to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county, Wisconsin.	156 335 381	303 335 381 738	.....	.....	434	689	892	73	320
No. 157, A..... A bill relating to and amendatory of section 9, chapter 24, laws of 1895, relating to Winnebago county court.	156 357	303 357 645 445	576 457 577	.....	457	576	.....	.....	687 320 445 675
No. 158, A..... A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.	156 235 388	235 363 388 726 738 445	896	.....	456	689	1078	149	235 384 445 748 854 894
No. 159, A..... A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives, at Washington, a statue of General Lucius Fairchild.	156	942	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	980
No. 160, A..... A bill to prevent county judges and clerks of the county courts from receiving any other compensation than the salary allowed by law.	156	314	.....	339	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 161, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 68, of the general laws of 1893, entitled "An act to reduce expenses in the circuit courts, and providing for the payment of fees of referees, etc."	156	314	.....	339	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 162, A..... A bill to amend section 4467, of the revised statutes, so as to provide a penalty for disposing of property on which the purchase money, or on which a mechanic's lien has not been paid.	157	314	.....	339	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 163, A..... A bill to provide for the equipment and furnishing of the state historical library building and making an appropriation therefor.	157	1026	.....	1104	.....	.....	.....	.....	1054
No. 164, A..... A bill relating to requirements to entitle a plat of land to be recorded.	157	315	.....	339	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 165, A..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."	157	806	830

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No. 166, A..... A bill to amend section 3315 of chapter 143 of the revised statutes, entitled "Of liens," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1885, chapter 335 of the laws of 1887, chapter 333 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 321 of the laws of 1891.	157	935	959
No. 167, A..... A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service of cities.	157	271	283
No. 168, A..... A bill to provide punishment for taking of indecent or improper liberties with a child.	157	308 335 351	434	320 562
No. 169, A..... A bill to provide for the certificate of United States surveyor being admitted as legal evidence in the courts of this state.	157	315	339
No. 170, A..... A bill relating to the service of civil and criminal process by municipal officers.	158	315	339
No. 171, A..... A bill to lessen the expense of trial and examinations in criminal cases, and to amend section 751 of the revised statutes.	158	366	384
No. 172, A..... A bill to designate what material shall be used in public buildings in the state.	158	937	959
No. 173, A..... A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 99, of the laws of 1891, entitled "An act conferring civil, criminal and appellate jurisdiction upon the county court of Waukecha county, Wisconsin."	158 335 351	308 335 351 646	322	434	576	765	45	322
No. 174, A..... A bill to provide for the drainage of certain overflowed lands.	158	837	880
No. 175, A..... A bill to amend section 782 of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings.	163	721	743
No. 176, A..... A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns."	165 611	536 611 645	565	657	1081	1188	235	565 1114
No. 177, A..... A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 725, of the revised statutes of the state, relating to the duties of sheriff.	163 510	493 864	881	510
No. 178, A..... A bill to amend section 3315 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, and acts amendatory thereto, relating to liens of contractors.	163	935	959
No. 179, A..... A bill to amend section 1039 of the revised statutes relating to the assessment of property.	163 518	493 548 574 1255	511 1238	604	1235	511 1287 1278

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No. 180, A..... A bill to authorize the quartermaster general to have compiled and published the history of Wisconsin battle flags, and Old Abe, the war eagle.	163	1111	1131
No. 181, A..... A bill relating to evidence in certain cases.	163 442	672 32 442 467	482	590	766	63	360
No. 182, A..... A bill to amend chapter 138, laws of 1881, entitled "An act to amend section 752, relating to district attorney."	164 320	329 380 588 444	541	456	541	656	29	360 444
No. 183, A..... A bill to establish a reformatory for the custody and training of certain offenders whose ages at commitment are from 16 to 25 years.	164 330 1113	397 1085 1113 1135 1266	1103	1145	1259	1274	346	1103
No. 184, A..... A bill to amend the charter of the city of Juneau relating to the use of county jail.	164	330
No. 185, A..... A bill to amend section 424 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to limitations of actions.	164	993	1005
No. 186, A..... A bill to amend section 3069 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to appealable orders.	164 380	330 380 444	361	456	365 444 561
No. 187, A..... A bill to construe chapter 292 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1883, "An act relating to the powers of towns and town boards containing incorporated villages."	164	392	437
No. 188, A..... A bill to legalize the acts and proceedings of the town of Iron River in Bayfield county, in the purchase of the waterworks system.	164 438	392 774	816	438
No. 189, A..... A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 353 of the laws of 1883, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of a license fee by owners of palace drawing room and sleeping car companies."	164
No. 190, A..... A bill relating to, and amendatory of, chapter 51 of the laws of 1893, entitled "An act providing for the non-payment of taxes on wide-tired wagons."	165	307	321
No. 191, A..... A bill to amend section 4771 of chapter 194 of Sanborn & Herryman's annotated statutes, relating to security for costs in criminal cases in justices' courts.	165	330	360	743
No. 192, A..... A bill for the taxation of dogs.	165	443	484

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No. 193, A..... A bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 212 of the laws of Wisconsin, for the year 1883, vacating portions of certain additions to the city of La Crosse.	165 770 853	749 853 867 806	882	828
No. 194, A..... A bill to amend the exemption laws of the state of Wisconsin and to limit the exemptions for debts contracted for labor and the necessities of life, and to amend section 3343, revised statutes, relating to liens.	165 1027 1082	965 1027 1047 1087	1014	1104	1059 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	1014 1022 1060
No. 195, A..... A bill to create a board of statutory revision.	165	861	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 196, A..... A bill to amend section 2356 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to causes for divorce.	165	613	.....	633	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 197, A..... A bill to authorize and direct the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington a statue of General Jeremiah M. Rusk.	165	942	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	980
No. 198, A..... A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties in circuits in which they do not usually preside.	166	755	.....	771	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 199, A..... A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in cities of the second and third class.	166 1183	1183	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1183
No. 200, A..... A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of La Crosse, in and for the county of La Crosse.	166 604	534 604 842	565 797 .....	..... ..... .....	..... 783	894	129 ..... .....	..... ..... .....	565
No. 201, A..... A bill relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject.	166	809	.....	830	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 202, A..... A bill to authorize the state treasurer to cover certain special deposits in the general funds.	166 317 289	256 317 289 588	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	338	541	657	30	275 289
No. 203, A..... A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers and the appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.	170	584	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 204, A..... A bill to amend chapter 52, section 1304, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes; relating to appeals.	171	330	360

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No. 205, A..... A bill to regulate the duties of the registrar of vital statistics and to provide for the filing with him of marriage certificates.	171 730	684 755 781 1028	798	974	1080	205	730
No. 206, A..... A bill relating to hotels and inns.	171	990	.....	1005	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 207, A..... A bill to better protect cities, towns and counties and pertaining to the duties of judges, justices of the peace and clerks of the court.	171	392	.....	437	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 208, A..... A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads.	171	852	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 209, A..... A bill relating to commitments to the home for feeble-minded, and to provide for charges for support of persons so committed.	171	273 335 381 1268	283 455 1249	.....	456 1249	1276	360	.....	283 435
No. 210, A..... A bill to authorize cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes and to create park commissioners and prescribe their powers and duties.	171	696	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 211, A..... A bill to amend section 1570 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 100 of the laws of 1881, chapter 218, laws of 1882, chapter 510, laws of 1889, and chapter 81, laws of 1895.	171	527	.....	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 212, A..... A bill to amend section 925c, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the division into classes of cities.	172	513	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 213, A..... A bill to provide against the adulteration of food and drugs.	172 611	536 611 645 944	896	.....	658	874	1079	166	553 577 876
No. 214, A..... A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first of section 52 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government.	172	775	.....	816	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 215, A..... A bill to provide for the organization of drainage districts, and for the construction, maintenance and repair of drains, ditches and levees in certain cases.	172	1219	.....	1238	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 216, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 68 of laws of 1893, regarding referees.	172	724	743

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No. 227, A..... A bill relating to insolvent debtors, and voluntary assignments for the benefit of creditors.	178 872	837 871 912	927	859 1153
No. 228, A..... A bill relating to the election or appointment of women upon school boards, or boards of education in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters.	178	774	.....	816	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 229, A..... A bill relating to the duties of the state board of control.	178 321 1186	307 1134 1186 1205	1167	1222	.....	.....	.....	.....	1167 1221
No. 230, A..... A bill to amend section 2, of chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, of chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard.	179 729	700 1025	.....	1051	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 231, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 159 of the laws of 1881, and the acts amendatory thereto, relating to the bounties on wild animals.	179 969 1010	272 938 969 1010 1046	.....	1066	.....	.....	.....	.....	284 958 969
No. 232, A..... A bill to repeal a portion of chapter 161, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize Abe Johnson to purchase or build and maintain certain dams or other improvements upon Yellow river, in the county of Burnett, in the state of Wisconsin."	179 517	492 517 540 903	511	.....	564	875	1078	141	511
No. 233, A..... A bill to prevent illegal charges upon counties.	179	836	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 234, A..... A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 322 of the laws of 1882, and chapter 296, of the laws of 1895, and chapter 286, of the laws of 1893, relating to the excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.	179	331	.....	361	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 225, A..... A bill to regulate the practice of surgery, medicine and obstetrics in the state of Wisconsin.	179 795 823	513 514 795 810 1003	718	.....	823	1047	1187	264	342 514 632 717 718 504
No. 236, A..... A bill to amend section 1184 of the revised statutes relating to lands sold for taxes.	179 649 795 823	602 1023 724 795 810	.....	.....	823	997	1080	215	649 743
No. 237, A..... A bill to encourage the maintenance of permanent land marks and make public records thereof.	179	763	816

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No. 238, A..... A bill relating to liens on logs and lumber, and to provide for a lien for supplies and materials.	180	966	987
No. 239, A..... A bill to amend section 4680, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Change of venue in criminal cases."	180	366	.....	385	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 240, A..... A bill relating to the manufacturing of pure beer.	180	467	.....	987	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 241, A..... A bill to secure cleanliness in milk dairies.	180 380	330 380 444 812	456	457	759	893	94	360 444	.....
No. 242, A..... A bill to provide for the appointment of agents of the dairy and food commission.	180 739 543	515 272 912 893 1193 812	1048	927	1048	1187	228	542 859	.....
No. 243, A..... A bill to impose a penalty upon the owners of taxable personal property for refusing to make return thereof.	180	964	1042	.....	.....	.....	.....	1014 1022 1042	.....
No. 244, A..... A bill to amend section 2247, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Record of mortgage, how discharged."	180	724	.....	743	.....	.....	.....	743	.....
No. 245, A..... A bill to amend section 408, of the revised statutes of 1878, as amended by chapter 214, of the laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 7, of the laws of 1885, as amended by chapter 462, of the laws of 1891, relating to appropriation for teachers' institutes.	180	336	.....	321	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 246, A..... A bill to promote physical education.	180 629	258 505 629 701	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	258 542	.....
No. 247, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 363, of the laws of 1895, relating to the payment of license of street railroad companies within the state.	181	1107	.....	1131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 248, A..... A bill relating to cemetery corporations.	181	535	.....	557	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 249, A..... A bill to abolish the fees and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county.	181	724	.....	743	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 250, A..... A bill to provide for the assessment and taxation of real estate securities, legal or equitable, as interests in real estate therein described.	181	714	743

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No. 251, A..... A bill to amend sections 1024 and 1024a, chapter 47, of the annotated statutes, relating to records of deaths and fees for certificates.	181	835	880
No. 252, A..... A bill pertaining to the duties of district attorney.	181	512	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 253, A..... A bill to amend section 3087, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 305, of the laws of 1890, relating to recovery where tax title is defective.	181 480	366 480 506 926	..... ..... ..... .....	.....	530	895	1078	161	384
No. 254, A..... A bill to organize the town of Crivitz in Marinette county	181 300 334	257 300 334 686	..... ..... ..... .....	.....	359	647	765	59	275 300 334
No. 255, A..... A bill to amend section 2464, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 131, of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts.	181 480 531	366 703 480 518	..... ..... ..... .....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	384 531
No. 256, A..... A bill relating to the destruction of noxious weeds, and amendatory of chapter 154, of the laws of 1895.	188	516	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 257, A..... A bill to secure the better preservation of fur-bearing animals.	188	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 258, A..... A bill to provide for the raising of school fund income and the distribution of the same.	188 620 729	574 699	.....	860	.....	.....	.....	.....	620 729 860
No. 259, A..... A bill to repeal section 1564 of the revised statutes relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days and Sundays.	188	302	.....	320	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 260, A..... A bill to repeal section 4595, revised statutes, relating to the keeping open of shops, etc., and doing of labor on Sundays.	189	302	.....	320	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 261, A..... A bill to amend section 261, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, by striking out the limit of \$10,000 to be loaned to school districts, and striking out the provision for equal annual payments.	189	272 301 334	..... ..... .....	.....	359	.....	.....	.....	283 301 334 704
No. 262, A..... A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 38, of the laws of the state for the year 1883, entitled, "An act to provide for the building of a bridge across the Chippewa at Durand."	189	610	.....	633	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 263, A..... A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 81, of the laws of 1895, amending sections 1570 and 1572, of chapter 67, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of peddlers."	189 360 589	332 527 589 602 757	565	629	740	893	84	565

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No. 264. A..... A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to regulate the civil service of cities."	189 685	698 685 697 1029	649	727	974	1080	218	649
No. 265. A..... A bill relating to elections and the counting and preservation of ballots, and repealing sections 64 and 75 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893.	189	775	.....	816	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 266. A..... A bill permitting the wife to testify in certain cases.	189	493	.....	509	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 267. A..... A bill to amend sections 870e, 870f, 870g and 870i of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to villages.	189	836	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 268. A..... A bill to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "Of liens."	190 878	836 994	.....	1006	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 269. A..... A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 24, of the laws of 1895, relating to fees of jurors in the municipal court of the city of Oshkosh and county of Winnebago, Wisconsin.	190 480	366 480 507 757	.....	.....	530	689	892	83	384
No. 270. A..... A bill relating to the examination of adverse parties in legal proceedings amendatory of section 4096 of the annotated statutes, and chapter 141 of 1893.	190	512	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 271. A..... A bill relating to the granting and transferring of licenses for the sale of liquors in cities of the second and third class.	190	307	.....	321	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 272. A..... A bill to regulate the term of liquor licenses in all towns, villages and cities.	190	301	.....	320	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 273. A..... A bill to provide for the appointment and to prescribe the duties of a public examiner for the state of Wisconsin.	190	515	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 274. A..... A bill to divide the town of Rock Falls, Lincoln county, and to create the town of Tomahawk.	190 335 381	302 335 381 645	322	.....	434	562	765	43	322 1051
No. 275. A..... A bill to amend sections 12 and 13 of chapter 288 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to the general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to securing secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes."	190 1076	935 1076 1091 1267	1051 1092	.....	1101	1236	1275	372	1005
No. 276. A..... A bill to protect fish in Lake de Neveu.	191	721 1028	934	934	997	1080	209	802 859 909

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No. 277, A..... A bill to authorize the state board of health to provide for the sale and use of anti-toxine diphtheretic serum.	191	333	361
No. 278, A..... A bill to authorize J. F. Hamilton, Charles T. Baker and Horace Miner, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Beaver creek, in the county of Juneau, Wisconsin.	191 588	515 588 612 1028	976	.....	630	974	1080	206	543
No. 279, A..... A bill relating to county officers and to amend section 656 and subsection 7 of section 669 of the revised statutes.	191 483	441	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	483
No. 280, A..... A bill to amend subdivision 9, of section 1038, of the revised statutes, relating to the property exempt from taxation.	191 589 658 1027 257	936 526 589 602 1027 1075 257 1245	1022 1075	.....	1101	1236	.....	.....	257 552 630 1022 1288 1278
No. 281, A..... A bill to classify the state printing and repeal sections 296 to 304, inclusive, of chapter 20 of the revised statutes.	191	1111	.....	1131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 282, A..... A bill to amend section 1319 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to county aid for bridges.	191 879 485 841	441 936 750 841 969 995 961 1161	803	.....	1010	1138	1269	269	485 803 867 879 958
No. 283, A..... A bill to protect the payment of labor employed on public contracts or improvements.	191	366	.....	385	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 284, A..... A bill amending section 1, of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the agricultural society.	191	834	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 285, A..... A bill to amend section 64, chapter 288, laws of 1893, relating to general elections.	192	721	.....	743	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 286, A..... A bill relating to eligibility to an holding of office in this state.	192	307 381 335	.....	434	.....	.....	.....	.....	320 677
No. 287, A..... A bill relating to the appointment and salaries of undersheriffs and deputy sheriffs in Milwaukee county.	192	611	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 288, A..... A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of low water levels in inland lakes.	192 629	614 629 865	881

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No. 289, A..... A bill relating to the licensing of plumbers and the supervision of the business of plumbing.	192 486 1084 1113	451 1135 1024 1076 1.90 1112 1255	486 1053 1104	1144	1237	1272	338	486 1053 1184
No. 290, A..... A bill relating to the election of constables in cities of the second, third and fourth classes, and defining their duties and fixing their compensation.	197 770 1076	749 1024 1076 1091	1052 109	.....	1101	.....	.....	.....	1052 1207
No. 291, A..... A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of the state of Wisconsin.	197	366	.....	385	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 292, A..... A bill to regulate the publication of the proceedings of the city councils in cities in which population does not exceed 5,000.	197	441	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 293, A..... A bill to appropriate to J. M. Thompson and Lovell & Co., of Waupun, Wis., to each a certain sum of money.	198 385	365 643	.....	659	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 294, A..... A bill for the protection of the public health, and to prevent the adulteration in the manufacture and sale of beer.	198 706	967	.....	988	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 295, A..... A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments in cities and villages operating under the general charter law of this state, or under a special charter.	198	750	.....	772	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 296, A..... A bill authorizing the secretary of state to recall lists of deserters from the military and naval service of the United States now on file in the offices of county clerks and to cause their destruction.	198 686	601 686 697 670	.....	.....	727	918	1079	180	64
No. 297, A..... A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 3, of chapter 181, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act to revise, codify and amend chapter 57, of the laws of 1874," entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Columbus, and the several acts amendatory thereof."	198	366	.....	.....	385	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 298, A..... A bill to regulate the sale of impure ice.	198 487	450 513 588 622 1172	486 543	.....	630	1154	1270	273	486 543
No. 299, A..... A bill to place all organizations which drill with fire arms under the control and subject to the authority of the state.	198	1111	.....	1131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 300, A..... A bill to amend section 2600 of the revised statutes, entitled, "But one form of action."	198	366	385

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No. 301, A..... A bill to limit the time for the commencement of actions or proceedings for the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate, and provide for the extinguishment of mortgage liens in case no such actions or proceedings are commenced within the time so limited.	199	392	437
No. 302, A..... A bill to legalize the records of the register of deeds of Grant county, pertaining to marriages, births and deaths, making the same prima facie evidence.	199 385 518	366 494 518 540	511	.....	564	.....	.....	.....	511 783
No. 303, A..... A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to exemption from taxation.	199	720	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	745 747
No. 304, A..... A bill to amend chapter 236, of the session laws of 1895, relating to the election of constables in cities.	199	749	.....	772	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 305, A..... A bill to repeal section 4398 of the revised statutes of this state, relating to the use of abusive language.	199	491	.....	510	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 306, A..... A bill for the promotion and advancement of military training and discipline in schools and colleges in this state.	199 365 969	565 913 969 995 1135	932	.....	1010 1099	1188	260	.....	932 969
No. 307, A..... A bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river, in Barron county, Wisconsin.	199 480	390 872 480 506 672	783	.....	530 783 843	590 843	1078	143	436 738 758 872
No. 308, A..... A bill relating to actions to recover damages on account of death or personal injuries.	199	755	.....	772	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 309, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, relating to the acknowledgments of written instruments.	199 330	330 380 444 757	843 361 815 715	.....	456	513	893	124	894 361 444 782 689 777
No. 310, A..... A bill to provide for the semi-annual payment of taxes, and to amend various sections of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof.	200 655	655 936	.....	959	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 311, A..... A bill fixing the number of assessors in cities of less than 10,000 inhabitants.	200	581	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 312, A..... A bill to repeal section 3 of chapter 140, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act relating to circuit courts, special terms, filing of decisions, and trials in vacation," as amended by chapter 169 of the laws of 1883.	100 480	391 480 506 672	530	590	765	62	436

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No. 313, A..... A bill to appropriate to C. W. Johnson and others, a sum of money to pay certain judgments rendered against them, for property destroyed by them while acting as deputy fish and game wardens, under provisions of chapter 221 of the laws of 1895.	200 1152	751 1151 1170 1256	1192 1259 1274 339	802 909 958 1101 1129	
No. 314, A..... A bill to prescribe qualifications for judges of courts of record.	200	392	.....	437	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 315, A..... A bill to amend section 1213 of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to license fees from railroad companies.	200 435 588	308 336 381 516 588 976	322 542 927	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	630 918 1079 182	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	322 435 542 529 919	
No. 316, A..... A bill to provide for use of water in public highways.	200 685	670 685 697	649 998	..... ..... .....	727 997 1187 224	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	649 1077	
No. 317, A..... A bill relating to guardians and wards.	201	308 336 357	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	383	.....	.....	320 629	
No. 318, A..... A bill to amend sections 1126 and 1128, revised statutes, relating to delinquent taxes.	201 802 1017	776 992 1017 1028	1004	..... ..... ..... .....	1037	.....	.....	1003 1236	
No. 319, A..... A bill relating to notice by publication in cases affecting real estate, and amendatory of section 4045 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 395, laws of 1887.	201	493	.....	510	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 320, A..... A bill to amend section 1323 of chapter 52 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 214 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for better protection of bridges."	201	939	.....	959	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 321, A..... A bill to authorize Joseph Mardin, Jr., his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Lake Michigan in Door county.	201 517	490 517 510 970	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	564 945 1079 170	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	510	
No. 322, A..... A bill to direct the board of trustees of certain villages to turn over one-half of the moneys received from licenses to the use of public schools.	201	582	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 323, A..... A bill to detach the county of Polk from the eleventh judicial circuit and attach it to the eighth judicial circuit.	201	392	.....	437	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 324, A..... A bill to appropriate to Cyrus Schenck a sum of money for injuries received in the capitol disaster in 1883.	201	431	484	

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No. 325, A..... A bill relating to attachments in justice's courts and amendatory of section 3710, revised statutes.	202	443 540 575 842	486 786	604	783	894	117	486
No. 326, A..... A bill to regulate the rate of rental to be charged by telephone companies in cities of the second and third classes.	202	1025	.....	1054	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 327, A..... A bill to amend section 2840 of revised statutes, relating to the determination of issues of law.	202	443 539 575	.....	.....	604	759	.....	.....	485
No. 328, A..... A bill to repeal sections 1197 to 1210, inclusive, relating to proceedings to bar original owners where tax deeds have issued.	202	443	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 329, A..... A bill to amend section 2918 of revised statutes, relating to costs in equitable actions and special proceedings.	202	443	.....	485	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 330, A..... A bill relating to terms of circuit court in the eleventh judicial circuit.	202	443 540 575 842	485	.....	604	784	893	107	510
No. 331, A..... A bill to legalize the acts of the secretary of state and state treasurer.	202 517	493 517 540 842	.....	.....	564	784	893	107	510
No. 332, A..... A bill to limit passenger rates on certain railroads in the state of Wisconsin.	202 917	836 917 943 1220	906	.....	954	1207	1270	302	.....
No. 333, A..... A bill to amend subdivision 1 of section 2, chapter 268, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1893, and chapter 184, laws of 1895, relating to mutual fire insurance of church property.	202 1152	1108 1152 1171	.....	.....	1191	.....	.....	.....	1129 1260
No. 334, A..... A bill to amend section 796 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to annual town meetings.	203	721	.....	743	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 335, A..... A bill relating to village bonds and to legalize the acts of village boards and electors in issuing the same.	203	302 335 381 587 808	.....	.....	434	541	764	34	320
No. 336, A..... A bill to amend section 1121 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.	203 822	776 825 841	803	.....	856	.....	.....	.....	803 1153
No. 337, A..... A bill to amend section 1698 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin of 1878, relating to voluntary assignments.	203	544

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No. 338, A..... A bill to provide for a commission to draw up a plan to protect and utilize the forest resources of the state of Wisconsin and making an appropriation therefor.	201 583 820 917	583 811 886 917 942 1092	955	1030	1187	229	909
No. 339, A..... A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the state board of fisheries and game reserve commissioners and making an appropriation therefor.	203	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 340, A..... A bill to prohibit the killing of rabbits or hares in certain seasons.	203	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 341, A..... A bill to prohibit the hunting of rabbits or hares with ferrets.	203	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 342, A..... A bill relating to the appointment of marshal in villages.	203	836	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 343, A..... A bill concerning repairs of sidewalks, gutters, ditches, etc., in villages.	204	696	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 344, A..... A bill to amend section 905 of the revised statutes, relating to streets, sidewalks and gutters of villages, and providing for appeals.	204	864	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 345, A..... A bill authorizing the appointment of a tax commission, prescribing the duties of such commission, and providing for their compensation.	204 900 994	834 940 994 1010 1265	958 1239	880	1037	1235	1275	340	891 958
No. 346, A..... A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by street railway companies within this state.	204	699	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 347, A..... A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to street railways.	204	699	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 348, A..... A bill to reduce the rate of interest on tax sale certificates in cities having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants and over, and in counties having a population of 150,000 inhabitants and over.	204 821 917	807 865 917 942	908	.....	954	.....	.....	.....	908 1137
No. 349, A..... A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 321, of laws of 1895, relating to condemnation of toll roads.	204 480	364 480 507	385	.....	530	.....	.....	.....	385 1137
No. 350, A..... A bill to amend chapter 367 of the laws of 1891, relating to steam engines on highways.	204 441	332 441 467	362	482	362 1116

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No. 351, A..... A bill authorizing the appointment of a court commissioner or justice of the peace in municipal and superior courts, having the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace in case of absence, sickness or disability of the judge.	205	555	551
No. 352, A..... A bill compelling railroad corporations to furnish free transportation to shippers of live stock.	205	852	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 353, A..... A bill to repeal sections 2 and 3 of chapter 194, of the laws of 1885, relating to the compensation of delegates from county agricultural societies to the state fair.	205 943	834 943 971 1161	971 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	982 1138	1269	271	909 971
No. 354, A..... A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed.	205	443	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 355, A..... A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways.	205	808	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 356, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 357 of the laws of 1891, relating to additional jurisdiction on the county court of Portage county.	205	513	.....	830	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 357, A..... A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections, and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill.	205	1198	.....	1211	.....	.....	.....	233
No. 358, A..... A bill to create a municipal court for the county of Kewaunee.	205 1152	1110 1152 1171 1255	1130 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	1191 1220	1272	352	1130
No. 359, A..... A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for securing stray logs, lumber and other floatables, and to define their powers and duties.	206 943	582 834 943 971	906 1177 ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	982 1174	1271	305	906 1227
No. 360, A..... A bill to appropriate to the Oshkosh fair association in Winnebago county, a sum of money therein named.	206	967	.....	988	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 361, A..... A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, balls or opera houses where theatrical performances are given.	206 510 635	493 615 700 755 781	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	799	.....	.....	510 635 730 974
No. 362, A..... A bill to compel street railway companies to operate their cars by means of conductors of electricity laid in underground conduits or by a storage battery system.	[214	699	731

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No. 363, A..... A bill to simplify the civil service systems in cities and define the duties of boards of city service commissioners.	214	388	438
No. 364, A..... A bill to regulate the publication of proceedings of county and village boards and common councils.	214	441	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 365, A..... A bill providing for the taxation of telephone, telegraph, palace car, sleeping car, drawing room car, dining car, express and fast freight, joint stock associations, companies, co-partnerships and corporations transacting business in the state of Wisconsin.	215	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	972
No. 366, A..... A bill to prevent deception and fraud in the sale of grass and garden seed.	215	517	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	543
No. 367, A..... A bill to amend section 1010 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 226 of the laws of 1889, relating to the collection of statistics of farm products.	215	610	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	629
No. 368, A..... A bill providing for the purchase of sugar beet seed, the distribution of the same by the agricultural experimental station, and making an appropriation therefor.	215 489 917	489 839 917 942 1093	906	.....	956	1048	1187	230	489 906
No. 369, A..... A bill to vacate cemeteries in the city of Waupun, Dodge county, Wis.	215	584	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 370, A..... A bill to repeal certain acts relating to and regulating the practice of pharmacy, relating to and regulating the practice of dentistry, and relating to and regulating the practice of law.	215	915	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	915
No. 371, A..... A bill to amend sections 731, 4913 and 604 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of sheriffs.	215	585	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 372, A..... A bill to regulate the place and manner of crossing of railways, being public carriers of passengers.	216	1133	.....	1148	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 373, A..... A bill to amend section 4222 of chapter 177 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of limitations of time for commencement of actions and proceedings."	216 1027 872 913	754 872 913 993 1027 1246	829 1004 1046 1238	.....	1059	1236	1271	304	829 802 1004 1046
No. 374, A..... A bill to appropriate to Zacharias Simonson and Charles S. Simonson the sum of one hundred and forty dollars (\$140), for money erroneously paid to the state for swamp and overflowed lands.	216	611	634

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No. 375, A..... A bill to appropriate \$113,332.50 to reimburse the trust funds for the amount of money loaned to the Wisconsin State Agricultural society.	216 969	914 969 995	1012	932 969 1189
No. 376, A..... A bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the town laws of this state.	216 386 703 807 970	366 703 807 914 970 1692 1228	932 1053 1191 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	1122 1190 1271 323 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	678 932 995 1026
No. 377, A..... A bill to provide for enlarging and equipment of the state historical library building and extending the tax levy therefor.	216	312 1026	..... ..... .....	1054 ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	1010 1113
No. 378, A..... A bill to organize the Wisconsin state board of agriculture.	216 389 752 943	389 752 866 943 971 1206 512	910 1156 ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	983 1154 1271 301 ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	910 1190 1169 1170
No. 379, A..... A bill to amend sections 3838 and 3839 of chapter CLXV entitled, "Of the proof and payment of debts and legacies."	216	512	..... ..... .....	544..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 380, A..... A bill to appropriate to Walter L. Houser a sum of money therein named to reimburse him for expenses, stenographer's fees, and for labor performed in compiling and revising the rules of the legislature.	217 853	811 853 867 1029	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	884 974 1080 210	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	828
No. 381, A..... A bill to amend chapter 19, laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 283, laws of 1895, relating to assessment of vessel property.	217	451	..... ..... .....	485..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 382, A..... A bill to amend section 3757 of the revised statutes, relating to garnishments.	217	535	..... ..... .....	551..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 383, A..... A bill to amend chapter 63 of the laws of 1885, entitled, "An act relating to attorneys and admission to the bar, and amendatory of section 2586 of the revised statutes.	217	535	..... ..... .....	551..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 384, A..... A bill to amend chapter 181 of the laws of 1889, relating to the city of Columbus.	217	439	..... ..... .....	484..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 385, A..... A bill to amend chapter 326, laws of 1889, relating to sidewalks.	217	696	..... ..... .....	731..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 386, A..... A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of the state of Wisconsin for 1895 relating to deeds.	217	315	..... ..... .....	339..........	...............	...............	...............	...............	...............
No. 387, A..... A bill to appropriate a sum of money to persons therein named for expenses incurred as legislative visiting committee to state institutions.	217 480 506	382 480 506 686	531 647 765 65	436

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No. 388. A. A bill to regulate the loaning of money upon chattel security, and amendatory of chapter 327 of the laws of 1895.	218 589	534 589 645	658	552 1153
No. 389. A. A bill relating to assessments and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of the assessment of taxes."	218 770	642 936 1034	.....	1066	.....	.....	.....	.....	691
No. 390. A. A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin.	218 865 1093	865 1024 1092 1206	1065 1177	.....	1122	1174	1270	297	1053 1065 1113
No. 391. A. A bill relating to abstracts of title belonging to the county, and amendatory of section 700 of chapter 37, of the annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 157 of the laws of 1891.	218 686	614 686 698	.....	.....	727	.....	.....	.....	648 698 1137
No. 392. A. A bill to amend section 1779, revised statutes of state of Wisconsin, relating to powers and regulations of Driving Park association.	218	583	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 393. A. A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain.	218	990	.....	1006	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 394. A. A bill to amend chapter 315 of laws of 1885, relating to the instruction of deaf mutes in incorporated cities and villages.	218 764 994	763 914 994 1028 1228	987 1177	.....	1038	1174	1272	321	958 982
No. 395. A. A bill to authorize the common council of cities of the first class to fix the salary of the city engineer.	218	1090	.....	1104	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 396. A. A bill relating to the obstruction of creeks, rivulets and small streams by overgrowth or by neglect of owner of land adjoining such streams, by the fall of timber or accumulation of deposit from other sources.	219	331	.....	361	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 397. A. A bill providing for making the cost of constructing sewers chargeable to the abutting property in all cities in this state in certain cases.	219 692 740 853 1199	642 737 809 853 1199	692	.....	882	1019	1270	290	692 828 867
No. 398. A. A bill to provide for the disposition of funds paid to treasurers of cities of the first class for the redemption of outstanding tax certificates.	219	639	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 399. A. A bill to regulate the manner of improving public boulevards or pleasure ways.	219 589	539 589 612 1028	552	1070	630	997	552 1070

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No. 400, A..... A bill to amend section 183 of the laws of 1879, now section 4575b, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "An act to further protect life and limb."	219	512	544
No. 401, A..... A bill to provide for cumulative voting for directors of a corporation.	219	640	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 402, A..... A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library.	219 485	467 540 575 970	904 945	.....	605	904	1079	169	485 926 927 945
No. 403, A..... A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.	220 485	467 539 575 970	904 945	.....	605	904	1079	168	485 926 927 942
No. 404, A..... A bill to prescribe and regulate the procedure for determining insanity, for committing persons to the insane hospitals and asylums, and for paroling and discharging them therefrom.	220 795	534 795 822 1245	729 1179	.....	856	1175	1271	319	553 649 729
No. 405, A..... A bill to amend section 3 of chapter 300 of the general laws of 1895, and to provide for the distribution of copies of bills to county clerks and the filing and preservation of same.	220 939	939 1025	.....	1054	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 406, A..... A bill regulating the granting of franchises by villages and cities.	220 802 917	775 833 917 943 1269	907 1238	.....	954	1236	1276	370	907
No. 407, A..... A bill authorizing the state board of control of the Wisconsin charitable and penal institutions to contract for the use of medicines and the treatment for the cure of inebriates and persons addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors and drugs.	220	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 408, A..... A bill to authorize cities of not more than 3,000 population, incorporated by special act or general laws, to change their names.	220 589	526 589 612 853	552 784	.....	630	784	894	108	552
No. 409, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 383, of the laws Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to sheriffs.	220	613	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 410, A..... A bill to detach certain territory therein described from the counties of Clark and Marathon, and to attach the same to the county of Wood.	221	937	959

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No. 411, A..... A bill to divide the county of Wood and to create the county of Rivers.	221	507 937		959					
No. 412, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 383, of the laws of 1889, and the acts of which it is amendatory, relating to the Dane county drainage commission.	221 1251	1150							
No. 413, A..... A bill to appropriate to the attorney-general's contingent fund the sum of money therein named.	221 987 615 879	615 839 964 1044		1065					
No. 414, A..... A bill to amend section 3616 of chapter 155, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Of the commencement of actions of pleadings and proceedings therein before trial."	221 589	534 589 612 1206	1177		630	1174	1271	295	552
No. 415, A..... A bill regulating the number and salaries of the assistants and employes in the office of the attorney-general.	221 629 729 603	602 629 698 1045		1066					729 1072
No. 416, A..... A bill to prevent combinations between fire insurance companies and providing penalties therefor.	221 934	993 1108		1131					
No. 417, A..... A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by insurance companies.	221	864		881					
No. 418, A..... A bill to prohibit certain persons from acting as assessors.	222 385	364 699		731					
No. 419, A..... A bill to amend chapter 63 of Sanborn & Berryman's statutes relating to the relief and support of the poor.	222	537		551					
No. 420, A..... A bill in relation to patent medicine.	222	835		880					
No. 421, A..... A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Elroy cemetery association, in executing deeds to lots in the Elroy cemetery.	222 589	534 589 612 903	876		630	875	1077	147	552
No. 422, A..... A bill to create a municipal court for Wood county.	222	535		551					
No. 423, A..... A bill to amend chapter 256 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 273 of the laws of 1889, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1887,' entitled, 'An act to provide for the annual publication of a railroad map and appropriating money therefor.'"	222 691 917	615 866 917 943 1093	691 908		956	1019	1187	232	691 908
No. 424, A..... A bill authorizing the railroad commissioner to compile the railroad laws of the state of Wisconsin, and appropriating a sum of money therefor.	222	603		634					

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No. 425, A..... A bill to change the boundaries of the seventh and ninth judicial circuits, and providing for special terms in the seventh circuit.	222	614 970	649	650	918	1079	181	650
No. 426, A..... A bill regulating who shall be eligible to the election or appointment to the office of county judge.	223	392	....	438	....	....	....	....	....
No. 427, A..... A bill relating to the assessments of personal property, and amendatory of section 1040 of the revised statutes.	223	720	....	743	....	....	....	....	....
No. 428, A..... A bill to regulate the election of town supervisors in counties having a population of less than one hundred thousand.	223	753	....	772	....	....	....	....	....
No. 429, A..... A bill to authorize the governor and state board of control to parole life prisoners and to construe the meaning of the term of natural life in the penal institutions of the state of Wisconsin.	223 970	891 970 995	932	....	....	....	....	....	933 1010 1037
No. 430, A..... A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 153, laws of 1887, entitled 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies.'"	223 644 688	583 644 672 1171	619	....	706	1154	....	....	619 693 1256
No. 431, A..... A bill to amend chapter 313 of the laws of 1895, relating to civil service in cities.	223 589	589 1118 1266	1157 1158 1238	....	1157	1237	1274	342	1157
No. 432, A..... A bill to declare the lakes herein named situated in the county of Waupaca known as the chain of lakes, navigable lakes and public highways.	223 724	637 724 757 1029	661	....	767	975	1081	219	637 661 757
No. 433, A..... A bill limiting taxation in cities of the first class.	224	990	....	1006	....	....	....	....	....
No. 434, A..... A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquor.	224 636	640 686 697 995	661	727	875	661 1009 1018
No. 435, A..... A bill regulating the employment of labor.	224	911	934

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	Introduced and referred.	Reported by committee.	Amended.	Indefinitely postponed.	Passed Assembly.	Passed senate.	Approved.	Published as ch. laws 1897.	Other proceedings.
No. 436, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 179 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1880, entitled, "An act to confer certain police powers upon agents of the Wisconsin humane society."	224	580	618						
No. 437, A..... A bill to amend chapter 22 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court in the village of Waukesha, for the eastern municipal district of the county of Waukesha."	224 492 518	391 492 518 672 795	758 760		530 591 893	591 758	893	91	437 738 758
No. 438, A..... A bill to amend section 2356 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to divorce from the bond of matrimony.	224	580	618						
No. 439, A..... A bill to appropriate money to pay innocent purchasers of verified accounts of the Wisconsin Keeley institute company, based on orders made under and by virtue of chapter 203, of the laws of 1895.	224 965	965 994	1083						1005 1052
No. 440, A..... A bill relating to the investment of slinking funds and amendatory of section 959 of the revised statutes.	224 589	505 589 612 1149	1122		630 1099 1188	1099 1188	259		543 1101
No. 441, A..... A bill amendatory of chapter 365 of the laws of 1891, relating to the management of county asylums for the chronic insane.	225 481	390 481 903			530 875 1078	875 1078	140		437
No. 442, A..... A bill to establish a municipal court at the city of Racine, in and for the county of Racine.	225 589 612	527 589 612 725	552 706		630 677 706 892 72	677 706	892	72	552 704 705
No. 443, A..... A bill to authorize and direct an investigation of the returns made to the state by the various railroad companies, and for other purposes.	236 783 1113	776 1025 1112 1135 1265	1083 1208		1146 1235 1274 350	1235 1274	350		1053 1065 1083
No. 444, A..... A bill for the relief of R. S. Houston and appropriating a sum of money therefor.	225	388	438						
No. 445, A..... A bill to confer upon the owners of lands abutting upon inland lakes the exclusive privilege of gathering ice in front of such lands.	225 579 644	330 579 644 673			690				620 1137
No. 446, A..... A bill to amend section 1087 of the annotated statutes relating to the re-assessment of taxes.	225 527	527 702	731						
No. 447, A..... A bill to amend section 1181, chapter 50 of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of lands sold for taxes," as amended by subdivision 7 of chapter 194, laws of 1879.	225 823	749 823 841	803		856				803 945

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No. 448, A..... A bill to authorize Angus McAllister, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dam across the Oconto river in Oconto county.	225 730	702 755 781 1228	730	798 1174	730 1280 1289
No. 449, A..... A bill to amend chapter 3534 of the revised statutes, relating to foreclosures of mortgages by advertisement.	226 644	579 643 672	.....	.....	690	.....	.....	.....	626 1082
No. 450, A..... A bill to make the superintendent or supervising principal of city or village schools ex-officio a member of the local free library board and amendatory of section 932 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	226 644	582 643 673 812	619	.....	690 784	892	92	.....	619
No. 451, A..... A bill to authorize a wider use of the books of free public libraries and amendatory of section 934 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	226	505 588 612 842	.....	.....	630 784	894	109	.....	543
No. 452, A..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 458, laws of 1889, relating to school of science of the university of Wisconsin.	226 543	505 811	.....	830	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 453, A..... A bill to authorize the appointment of county boards of examiners, and provide for their compensation.	226	764	.....	816	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 454, A..... A bill to prohibit sectarianism in the public schools, and amendatory of chapter 28, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes.	226 365 480	365 480 506	.....	.....	530	.....	.....	.....	384 1144
No. 455, A..... A bill relating to fines for the sale of unmerchantable or adulterated milk.	226 442	330 442 468 842	.....	.....	482 784	894	106	.....	360
No. 456, A..... A bill to amend chapter 551 of the private and local laws of 1866, An act to authorize a union school district in the village of Monroe in the county of Green, as amended by chapter 81 of the private and local laws of 1872, and chapter 74 of the laws of 1877 and chapter 238, laws of 1883.	226 926	852 926 943	908 1082	.....	955 1082	1188	249	.....	908 1114
No. 457, A..... A bill to provide for the establishment and maintenance of historical museums in cities having a population of 50,000 or over, and to authorize the levy of a tax to purchase, erect and maintain such museums.	227	440 540 575 843	786	.....	605 784	894	111	.....	485
No. 458, A..... A bill to create and establish a municipal court in and for	227	702	.....	731	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 459, A..... A bill to suppress unlawful combinations, and to prevent exactions of exorbitant rates of insurance.	227	864	881

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No. 460, A..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 322 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 27, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, 'An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes.'"	227	1142	1181
No. 461, A..... A bill to amend section 1133 of the revised statutes, relating to the compensation for publishing the list and notice of sale of lands for taxes.	227	613	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 462, A..... A bill to amend section 1131 of the revised statutes, relating to the publication of the list of lands to be advertised for sale for the non-payment of taxes.	227 724 757	628 724 757 764	661	.....	768	.....	.....	.....	661 974
No. 463, A..... A bill to amend section 1052 of the revised statutes, relative to the valuation of property for the purposes of assessment.	227	613	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 464, A..... A bill relating to the alterations of school districts and amendatory of section 412 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 355 of the laws for 1885.	228	585	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 465, A..... A bill to amend chapter 277, of the laws of 1895, relating to the time of holding the terms of court in the several counties in the 17th judicial circuit.	123	586	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 466, A..... A bill to amend section 3329, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 72, of the laws of 1895, relative to liens upon logs and timber.	228	966	.....	988	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 467, A..... A bill to cede to the United States the jurisdiction of the state of Wisconsin over certain lands in the city of Eau Claire, for the purpose of erecting thereon a public building for the use of the United States.	228 644	585 644 673 842	.....	691	797	894	115	626	.....
No. 468, A..... A bill to amend section 1038 of the revised statutes, relating to property exempt from taxation.	228	613	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 469, A..... A bill to amend chapter 311 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature of this state and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."	228	915	.....	934	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 470, A..... A bill relating to the sale, circulation or possession of obscene books, pictures, etc., and for the issuance of search warrants therefor, and to repeal section 4590 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	228 685	614 685 697	727	784	648 1082

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No. 471, A..... A bill to amend section 142 of sub-chapter 16, of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the laws of 1893.	229	1046	1066
No. 472, A..... A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law, known as chapter 221, laws of 1895.	229	1085	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1085
No. 473, A..... A bill to prevent combination and trusts from making arbitrary or "board rates" for fire insurance.	229	864	.....	882	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 474, A..... A bill relating to the fees of sheriffs and other officers.	229 321 729 918	943 306 703 863 918 1076 1091 1255	909 1053 1238	1102 1235 1272 328	.....	.....	.....	.....	729 909 955 1026 1053
No. 475, A..... A bill to amend chapter 261, of the laws of 1895, relating to the assessment of taxes.	229	639	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 476, A..... A bill to better regulate the sale of intoxicating drinks.	229	613	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 477, A..... A bill to amend chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, relating to elections.	229 821	753 940	.....	959	.....	.....	.....	.....	770
No. 478, A..... A bill to protect the eyes of infants against blindness.	229	753	.....	772	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 479, A..... A bill to amend section 2577 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin in relation to legal holidays.	229	363	.....	385	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 480, A..... A bill to provide for the acquisition by the state of Wisconsin of the title to certain lands therein described, to appropriate the same to public use as an inter-state park, and to make an appropriation to pay the owners thereof such compensation as may be awarded them under the provisions of chapter 315 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, or of this act.	230 865	865 1086	.....	1104	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 481, A..... A bill providing for the filing and recording of notice of lis pendens, writs of attachment, certificates of sale, mechanics' liens and releases and satisfactions of said instruments, and to amend sections 3187, 2737, 2743, 2748, 3000, and 3318, 3327, and chapter 374, laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 295, laws of 1893, and to repeal chapter 19, laws of 1893, and sections 761 and 3319.	230	702	731

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No. 482, A..... A bill to change the boundary lines in the town of Buena Vista, Ithaca and Orion, in the county of Richland.	230 628	585 628 645 757	658	740	892	77	620
No. 483, A..... A bill to prevent the hiring or licensing of incompetent persons as principals of graded schools.	230	505	.....	544	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 484, A..... A bill to amend section 119 of the revised statutes, relating to the contents of the blue book.	230	491	.....	510	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 485, A..... A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Hixon in Clark county, and create the town of Dewhurst.	230	365	.....	385	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 486, A..... A bill to repeal 292 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1895, relating to the exemption from taxation for a term of years of real estate owned by the Milwaukee medical college.	230	440	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 487, A..... A bill to amend chapter 125 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states relating to the acknowledgment of written instruments."	231	315	.....	339	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 488, A..... A bill relating to liens on grain and grass seed.	231	443	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 489, A..... A bill to provide for and limit the length of sessions of county boards in counties having 30,000 population or less.	231	585	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 490, A..... A bill to prevent unjust representation on county boards.	231	585	.....	618	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 491, A..... A bill to amend section 1052, revised statutes of 1878, relating to assessment of notes and mortgages.	231	527	.....	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 492, A..... A bill to amend section 204, chapter 326, laws of 1870, relating to the building of sidewalks in cities.	231	607	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 493, A..... A bill to control and regulate the letting of contracts for official printing in cities having a population of 100,000 or more.	231 944	840 944 970	907	.....	982	.....	.....	.....	907 1260
No. 494, A..... A bill to authorize the Kickapoo Valley gun club to construct and maintain a private bridge across the Kickapoo river in Crawford county on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 7, in township 7 north, of range 4 west.	231 358	316 358 686 445	482	647	765	64	339 445

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No. 495, A.....	232	724	743
A bill relating to filing complaints in actions affecting the title to real property, and amendatory of section 3187 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 426 of the general laws of 1895.										
No. 496, A.....	232	640	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to prevent fraud in the purchase and sale of cheese.										
No. 497, A.....	232	615	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to authorize the county of Calumet to issue bonds for the purpose of securing aid for the building of a beet sugar factory and refinery.										
No. 498, A.....	232	811	.....	831	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to Christ. Anderson, Gustav Freitag, John F. Ball and 21 others, laborers employed upon the state home for feeble-minded.										
No. 499, A.....	232	615	805	.....	856	.....	.....	.....	.....	803
A bill to restrict the liquor traffic to within one-half mile of the boundaries of the national soldiers' home in Wisconsin.										
	628	628	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	805
	824	776	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1116
		823	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		841	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 500, A.....	232	614	.....	643	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to amend section 4075 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence.										
No. 501, A.....	232	807	.....	1131	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to continue an appropriation to the state university.										
No. 502, A.....	232	641	.....	727	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	661
A bill to repeal chapter 478 of the laws of 1887, entitled, "An act relating to practice in the circuit courts of the state of Wisconsin."										
	685	685	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1138
		697	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 503, A.....	231	642	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to amend section 2666 of the annotated statutes of Wisconsin, providing for verification of pleadings, how and by whom made.										
No. 504, A.....	233	439	485	.....	605	.....	.....	.....	.....	485
A bill to authorize the Wisconsin Baptist state convention to change its corporate name.										
		540	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1055
		575	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1055
No. 505, A.....	237	967	.....	988	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill relating to the manufacture of beer.										
No. 506, A.....	237	965	1054	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1004
A bill to prevent the granting of any license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within a half mile of the state university, normal schools or high schools.										
			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1064
			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1083
No. 507, A.....	237	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A bill to prevent discrimination in charges for transportation of freight by railroad companies.										

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No. 508, A..... A bill to separate certain villages from towns.	237	836		880					
No. 509, A..... A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged real estate.	237 821	714 1045		1066					770
No. 510, A..... A bill to amend chapter 417, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act authorizing the governor to designate a day to be known as Arbor day."	238 480 506	364 480 506 686			530	647	765	61	384
No. 511, A..... A bill authorizing the attorney general to cancel and satisfy the mortgages held by the state upon the lands owned by the Wisconsin state agricultural society.	238	515		544					
No. 512, A..... A bill to amend section 655 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to the removal of county seats.	238	389		438					
No. 513, A..... A bill to amend section 176, chapter 326, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312, laws of Wisconsin for 1893.	238	581 644 672 944	855		691	M'h 24.	1079	171	620 844 855
No. 514, A..... A bill to amend chapter 87 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, relating to railroads.	238 1093	990 1092							1048 1049 1030 1050 1113 1124-25
No. 515, A..... A bill to amend chapter 164, laws 1883, relating to the trial of the question of insanity.	238 685	641 685 697			727				661 1082
No. 516, A..... A bill to amend chapter 166 of the laws of 1889, of change of venue in civil actions.	238	702		732					
No. 517, A..... A bill to create the county of Rusk and to change the boundaries of the counties of Price and Chippewa.	238	937		959					
No. 518, A..... A bill to enable the town of Pelican, in the county of Oneida, to own and maintain a town hall within the limits of the city of Rhinelander, and to exempt the same from taxation.	239	611		634					
No. 519, A..... A bill to amend chapter 224, laws of 1895, relating to terms of court of the 15th judicial circuit.	239 660	642 703 755 782 926	730 904		798	904	1078	151	730
No. 520, A..... A bill to vacate the state park and provide for the sale of the lands therein and other lands.	239	981 1185							

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No. 521, A..... A bill to amend section 1, chapter 54, laws of 1895, establishing lumber inspection district number seventeen.	239 518 540	491 518 540 738	564 689 892 74	510
No. 522, A..... A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the county of Oneida.	239	700	.....	732	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 523, A..... A bill to limit passenger rates on the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railway and to amend section 1803 of the annotated statutes.	239	835	.....	880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 524, A..... A bill to amend section 30, of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes."	239 1186 1034	990 1076 1142 1186 1198 1265	1051 1167 1198 1261	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	1209 1259 1227 348	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	1051 1167 1198	.....
No. 525, A..... A bill to vacate a state road in Grant county.	239	440	.....	484	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 526, A..... A bill to repeal section 1643, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, of the general laws of the state of Wisconsin, and amendments thereto, relating to state aid for agricultural societies.	239	490	.....	510	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 527, A..... A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 61, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to create a municipal court for Douglas county and acts amendatory thereof."	240 692	642 737 781 1135	692	..... ..... ..... .....	798 1099 1188 261	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	660 692
No. 528, A..... A bill to amend section 1777 of the revised statutes, "relating to additional powers of peculiar corporations."	240	539	.....	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 529, A..... A bill to amend section 1771 of chapter 86 of 1878, entitled, "Of the organization of corporations."	240	539	.....	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	320
No. 530, A..... A bill to amend section 1862 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, authorizing street railway corporations to condemn land.	240	391	.....	438	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 531, A..... A bill to amend section 1165 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1889, and chapter 182 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "Of land sold for taxes," providing for redemption of such lands.	240 589 658	537 589 612 774	552	816	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	552 630
No. 532, A..... A bill to amend chapter 326 of the laws of 1895, relating to Nashotah house.	240 685	614 685 697 903	728 875 1077 144	648

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No. 533, A. A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," providing for terms of court and jurors.	240	443 539 575 842	486 784	605	784	894	112	486
No. 534, A. A bill to amend chapter 266 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, regarding high schools.	241	582	....	619	....	....	....	....	....
No. 535, A. A bill to amend section 2982, revised statutes of 1878, relating to the extension of earnings.	241 987	966 1087	....	1104	....	....	....	....	987
No. 536, A. A bill to amend chapter 23 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a municipal court at Oconomowoc."	241 578 994	527 821 944 971 1077	907	....	982	997	1187	225	907
No. 537, A. A bill to regulate and control the sale of cigarettes.	241	1086	....	....	976 978	....	....	....	876 920 976 1263
No. 538, A. A bill to pay a sum of money named therein to C. W. Anderson and L. L. Maliquise, of Maiden Rock, Pierce county, Wis., by reason of the unlawful destruction of their fishing nets by the state game warden and his deputies.	241	868	....	1104	....	....	....	....	....
No. 539, A. A bill to provide for the collection of certain historical material, and to designate a commission for the purpose.	241 701 1093	701 1045 1093 1199	1177	....	1123	1174	1270	289	1065 1113
No. 540, A. A bill for the inspection of naphtha, benzine and gasoline, and to regulate the sale thereof.	241	699	....	732	....	....	....	....	....
No. 541, A. A bill to detach certain territory from the town of Pelican in Oneida county, and to create the town of Pennington.	241	721	....	743	....	....	....	....	....
No. 542, A. A bill to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for a state board of arbitration and conciliation for the settlement of differences between employers and their employees."	242 969	911 969 996 1136	933 1101	....	1011	1096	1188	258	933
No. 543, A. A bill authorizing cities of a certain class to grant waterworks franchises to any persons, company or corporation, and providing for the rental to be paid by such cities for the use of water from such water works for protection against fire.	242 944	833 944 971 1245	907 1200	....	982	1174	1274	361	878 907 1177 1200
No. 544, A. A bill providing that the state shall repay to any county all money paid by it in excess of \$5,000 in the prosecution of any one criminal case.	242	615	634

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No. 545, A..... A bill relating to the sale of the products of the university farm and dairy school.	242	807	831
No. 546, A..... A bill relating to the election of assessor in cities of the third and fourth classes.	242 774 1183	774 1183	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1183
No. 547, A..... A bill to amend chapter 414, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend section 1751, revised statutes of 1878, relating to corporations."	242	640	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 548, A..... A bill to prohibit and suppress pool selling and book-making.	242	584	.....	634	.....	.....	.....	.....	620
No. 549, A..... A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities in this state now having or which may hereafter have a population of 100,000 or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public library.	242	388	.....	438	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 550, A..... A bill to provide for the improvement of public highways and appropriating a sum of money therefor.	243	808	.....	831	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 551, A..... A bill to protect vineyards, orchards and gardens against vandalism.	243 519	517 809	.....	831	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 552, A..... A bill to amend section 4713 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of attorneys who defend indigent prisoners.	243	809	.....	831	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 553, A..... A bill to promote the purity of political conventions and to provide against the corruption and the use of money therein.	243 692	637 720 755 781	692 744	798	.....	.....	.....	.....	637 661 692 1236
No. 554, A..... A bill to authorize Rosanna Scobie, G. E. Madson and A. C. Amundson to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a creek on section 7 in township 6 north, of range 13 east, in Jefferson county.	243	701	.....	732	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 555, A..... A bill to repeal section 331, revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended, relating to the publication of laws in newspapers.	243	627	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 556, A..... A bill relating to the re-assessment of special taxes in certain cases, and amendatory of chapter 50 of the revised statutes.	243 364	364 837	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 557, A..... A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors.	243	837	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 558, A..... A bill to amend chapter 96, laws of 1891, relating to municipal court in and for Langlade county.	244 853	809 853 867 1029	882	975	1080	216	828

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No. 559, A..... A bill relating to certified copy of chattel mortgages as evidence.	244 841	773 841 867	883	815 945
No. 560, A..... A bill to amend section 27, chapter 228, laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statute of the state, relating to general elections, the canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."	244 1073 1143	1058 1112 1143 1171 1268	1130 1281	.....	1191	1259	1275	366	1130
No. 561, A..... A bill authorizing county officials to procure surety companies as sureties on their official bonds.	244 620 841	585 750 841 867 1266	817 1261	.....	833	1259	1274	349	620 817
No. 562, A..... A bill relating to subscription to railroad stock and the issue of bonds by municipalities and commendatory of section 946, as amended by section 1, chapter 336, laws of 1895.	244 918	918 943 1136	907 1101	.....	955	1099	1188	256	908
No. 563, A..... A bill relating to the levy of taxes by towns.	244 841 879	655 841 867 936	.....	959	.....	.....	.....	.....	691 815
No. 564, A..... A bill relating to the method of platting lands, and recording the same, and amendatory of section 2261a of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and section 1 of chapter 460, laws of 1889.	244	585	619	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 565, A..... A bill relating to highways in certain counties and making an appropriation therefor.	244	610	635	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 566, A..... A bill authorizing the county board of any county to place the county jail under the supervision of a board of trustees.	245 1018	966 1018 1028 1227	1004 1179	.....	1037	1075	1271	318	1004
No. 567, A..... A bill conferring civil jurisdiction on the county clerk of Langlade county.	245	837	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 568, A..... A bill imposing a tax on collateral legacies and successions.	245 775	775 915	933	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 569, A..... A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to E. R. Cushman for damages sustained by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221, laws of 1895.	245	1086	1104	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 570, A..... A bill to amend section No. 1010 of the annotated statutes relating to statistics of farm products.	245	444 540 575 812	486 605	605	784	893	122	486

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No. 571, A..... A bill to change the boundaries of the counties of Chippewa and Sawyer, and to create the county of Rusk.	245	937	959
No. 572, A..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 276 of the laws of 1891, relating to the boundary of the city of Sheboygan.	245	538	.....	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 573, A..... A bill compelling railroad corporations to sell two thousand mile tickets and providing compensation therefor.	245	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 574, A..... A bill to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of 100,000 or more and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.	245	388	.....	438	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 575, A..... A bill to amend section 1060, revised statutes, as amended by chapter 74, laws of 1881, relating to board of review.	246 479	364 479 506 738	..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... .....	530	689	892	73	384
No. 576, A..... A bill to change the boundary line between Pierce and St. Croix counties in the state of Wisconsin so as to bring the first ward of the city of River Falls into Pierce county.	246	389	.....	438	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 577, A..... A bill to amend chapter 266, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the better protection of life and property against forest fires."	246 1103 1152	990 1086 1107 1152 1171	1051 1130 1261	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	1192	1259	1276	362	1051 1130 1269
No. 578, A..... A bill to fix the maximum rate to be charged by persons, companies or corporations engaged in the express business for the transportation of articles by express in this state.	246	834	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 579, A..... A bill authorizing cities and villages to levy a tax for certain current expenses.	246	776	.....	817	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 580, A..... A bill to require primary elections for the purpose of nominating candidates for office, and to prescribe the method thereof and the means therefor.	246	935	.....	1021	.....	.....	.....	.....	960
No. 581, A..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, relating to publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings, in cities of the second and third classes, whether incorporated under a general or under a special charter.	246	719	.....	743	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 582, A..... A bill to amend section 788 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, relating to special town meetings.	246 841	774 841 867	882	1081	1188	250	815 1114

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No. 583, A..... A bill to repeal sections 1339, 1339a, 1339b, 1339c and 1340, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of this state, relating to highways and bridges, and damages sustained thereon.	247	703	732
No. 584, A..... A bill relating to water powers, and amendatory of section 3152, of chapter 134, of the revised statutes.	247 644	579 644 673 1172	620 1156	.....	691	1154	1270	279	620
No. 585, A..... A bill to regulate the compensation of county officers and establish salaried officers in the several counties throughout the state.	247	585	.....	619	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 586, A..... A bill regulating crossing of the tracks of steam railroads by the tracks of street or highway railways.	247	1133	.....	1148	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 587, A..... A bill to amend section 4701, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to practice in criminal cases.	247	755	.....	772	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 588, A..... A bill relating to the salary of the county judge of Kewaunee county.	247 480 506	391 480 506 672	.....	.....	530	591	765	69	437
No. 589, A..... A bill to abolish the municipal court of the city and town of Ripon.	247	493	.....	510	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 590, A..... A bill to permanently locate the seat of government of this state.	247	698	.....	732	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 591, A..... A bill to authorize the commissioners of the public lands of the state of Wisconsin to loan a sum of money not to exceed one million dollars, to the county of Milwaukee and city of Milwaukee, or either of them.	248	698	.....	732	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 592, A..... A bill to authorize county boards of supervisors to appropriate funds towards the building of bridges in certain cases, and for other purposes.	248 335 381	306 335 381 645	.....	.....	435	562	765	40	320
No. 593, A..... A bill relating to the regulating of trade and commerce in the state of Wisconsin.	248 1134	1044 1134 1143 1254	1066 1238	.....	1162	1236	1274	373	1066
No. 594, A..... A bill for the protection of the public health by providing for the inspection of cattle, sheep and swine slaughtered, or to be slaughtered for human food.	248	1026	.....	1054	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 595, A..... A bill to provide for the election of town officers, in counties having a population of 200,000 or over.	248	721	744

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No. 586, A..... A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road company, approved February 2nd, 1846, etc."	248 918	806 918 943	998 955	955	1082	1188	251	908 1114
No. 597, A..... A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire insurance companies.	248 294 1133 1199	993 1108 1149 1199 1205	1191	.....	1222	.....	.....	.....	1131 1133 1168 1181 1191 1249
No. 598, A..... A bill to appropriate \$20,420 to Dr. Montgomery for care, board and treatment of persons pursuant to orders of county courts of various counties, under chapter 203, laws of 1895.	248	643	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 599, A..... A bill providing for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain amounts due persons for care and treatment of persons under chapter 203, laws 1895, and payment of same, and appropriating a sum of money therefor.	249	643	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 600, A..... A bill to legalize and enforce certain claims against Eau Claire and other counties in favor of Dr. Montgomery.	249	703	.....	732	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 601, A..... A bill to detach Chippewa county from the 11th judicial circuit, attach it to the 17th judicial circuit and to detach Clark county from the 17th judicial circuit, attach it to the 16th judicial circuit.	249	643	.....	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 602, A..... A bill to amend section 2, chapter 300, laws of 1895, relating to legislative expenditures.	249	1184	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1204 1210
No. 603, A..... A bill repealing chapter 176 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to official papers and publishing of official notices, ordinances, and proceedings in cities of the second and third class, whether incorporated under the general or under a special charter, and repealing section 46 of chapter 326, of the laws of 1889, in so far as that section relates to or affects any city having over 10,000 inhabitants," and reviving and re-enacting said section 46.	249	719	.....	744	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 604, A..... A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes on mortgaged property.	249	714	.....	744	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 605, A..... A bill to regulate the sale of one and two thousand mile mileage books by railroads in the state of Wisconsin.	249 879	852 994 1005	878 1005 1014 1052 1084

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No. 606, A..... A bill to minimize the competition of convict labor with free labor, and to provide for the employment of convict labor in the manufacture of school furniture and the furniture and equipment of public institutions, and of free text-books for the public schools, and also providing for the employment of habitual criminals in the improvement of the highways.	250								
No. 607, A..... A bill authorizing the secretary of state to procure the several transportation or railroad companies operating in the state of Wisconsin free transportation for state officials, members of the legislature and others, and requiring such transportation or railroad companies to furnish such free transportation.	250	852	881						
No. 608, A..... A bill relating to physical education as a regular branch of instruction in the public schools of the state and educational institutions receiving aid from the state.	250	582	619						
No. 609, A..... A bill relating to the release of options and the discharge of the same.	250 1076	936 1076 1091	1051	1102					1052 1259
No. 610, A..... A bill to detach certain lands from the village of South Milwaukee and attach the same to the town of Oak Creek in Milwaukee county.	250 489	489 724	744						
No. 611, A..... A bill to authorize and empower all cities having a population of 100,000 or more and operating under a special charter granted by the legislature of this state to construct and extend the sewer and water system of such cities into the adjoining towns.	250 649 730	608 696 756 782 1093	730	798	1019	1187	231		649 730
No. 612, A..... A bill for printing notices, council proceedings, ordinances and other matter of cities of the second and third classes.	250	719	744						
No. 613, A..... A bill authorizing the secretary of any agricultural society to collect any entrance fees due the society of which he is secretary.	251 841	722 841 867 1093	817	882	1019	1187	233	817	
No. 614, A..... A bill in relation to railroads and amending section 1835 of the revised statutes.	251 641 566	516 641 915	934						543
No. 615, A..... A bill relating to railroads and amending section 1823 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	257 641 566 969	516 641 916 969	933	1011					543 933 995 1173
No. 616, A..... A bill to amend section 1052, chapter 48 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, entitled, "How property to be valued," by adding thereto.	251	714	744						

ASSEMBLY BILLS.	Introduced and referred.	Reported by committee.	Amended.	Indefinitely postponed.	Passed assembly.	Passed senate.	Approved.	Published as ch. laws 1897.	Remarks.
No. 617. A..... A bill to amend section 1688, chapter 79 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin, entitled, "Rates of interest," by adding thereto.	251	1108	.....	1132	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 618. A..... A bill to amend sections 1448, 1449, 1447a, and 1452 of chapter 59 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to cemeteries.	251 518	515 535	..... .....	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 619. A..... A bill to provide for the taxation of owners and lessees of palace cars, drawing room cars and sleeping cars.	251	1244 1268	1267 .....	.....	1258	1266	.....	.....	1258 1267 1276 1286 1296
No. 620. A..... A bill relating to actions against officers created by and acting under an invalid law.	251	703	.....	732	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 621. A..... A bill to provide for the disposition of unclaimed property.	252	809	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	829
No. 622. A..... A bill to revise and codify the laws in relation to savings banks and savings societies.	252	1109	.....	1132	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 623. A..... A bill to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking.	252 620 994	575 902 994 1010 1220	933 1191 1202 1208	1038	1189	1270	303	.....	620 933 1207 1202
No. 624. A..... A bill to amend section 2982 of the revised statutes relating to exemptions and earnings.	252	836	.....	881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 625. A..... A bill amending section 1409b of the revised statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 452 of the laws of 1887, relating to the powers of the state board of health.	252 442	332 442 468	..... ..... .....	482	.....	.....	.....	.....	360 1116
No. 626. A..... A bill regulating the issuance of license to insurance companies.	252	1108	.....	1132	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 627. A..... A bill relating to highways, and amendatory of chapter 132 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 285 of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'an act to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1885, entitled, an act to amend sections 1320 and 1321 of the revised statutes of 1878, in relation to highways and bridges.'"	379 1090 1152	1090 1133 1152 1186 1255	..... ..... ..... ..... .....	1201	1236	1272	332	.....	1148

	Introduced and referred.	Reported by committee.	Amended.	Indefinitely postponed.	Passed assembly.	Passed senate.	Approved.	Published as ch., laws 1897.	Other proceedings.
No. 628, A..... A bill to authorize the state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewerage of the Menominee and Kinnickinnic valleys, in the county of Milwaukee, and to report thereon at the next session of the legislature.	433 868 1076	868 941 1076 1091 1268	1052 1208	.....	1102	1207	1275	371	868 1052
No. 629, A..... A bill levying a state tax for the year 1897 and the year 1898.	454	751	.....	934	.....	.....	.....	.....	801 909
No. 630, A..... A bill to extend the time for the payment of taxes in villages in the state of Wisconsin.	525	602	.....	635	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 631, A..... A bill to authorize the Hamilton cemetery association of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, to sell and convey real estate.	525	720 756 782 944	..... ..... ..... .....	.....	798	904	1078	104	743
No. 632, A..... A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, relating to new trials in criminal cases.	573 756	703 756 782 944	..... ..... ..... .....	.....	798	904	2079	172	731
No. 633, A..... A bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad" where it first appears in said section, the word "steam, electric or cable."	574 841	774 841 867 1077	817 ..... ..... .....	.....	883	997	1080	208	817
No. 634, A..... A bill to amend section 4 of chapter 167 of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health."	601	1026	.....	1054	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 635, A..... A bill to amend section 2965 of the revised statutes, relating to executions.	601 853	773 853 867 1028	..... ..... ..... .....	.....	883	975	1080	217	828
No. 636, A..... A bill to prevent the discharge of filth or sewerage into Delavan lake, in the county of Walworth.	737 891 970	835 902 970 1171	1156	881	1011	1154	1270	275	891 932 995
No. 637, A..... A bill to provide for the incorporation and government of villages and legalizing the acts of villages and the officers thereof.	863	966 1161	1084	.....	1084	1154	1270	287	987 1052 1084
No. 638, A..... A bill to authorize William Snyder, his heirs or assigns, to construct and maintain a dock or pier in the waters of Green Bay, Door county.	820 969	942 969 995 1172	1011	1154	1270	272	958

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No. 639, A..... A bill to amend chapter 84, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways."	832 970	911 970 996 1161	1011	1011	1138	1263	270	932
No. 640, A..... A bill prescribing and fixing the terms of the circuit court of Calumet county.	832 969	936 969 995 1208	.....	.....	1011	1174	1271	299	958
No. 641, A..... A bill to maintain bridges in certain cases.	832	939	.....	959	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 642, A..... A bill to amend chapter 341 of the laws of 1889, and relating to elections in villages.	902	925 970	.....	.....	928	953	1079	179	.....
No. 643, A..... A bill relating to trade, department stores and commerce in the state of Wisconsin.	946	1044	.....	1066	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 644, A..... A bill relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor.	955 1093	992 1092 1253	1051	.....	1122	1237	1272	331	1051 1113
No. 645, A..... A bill to authorize the county of Marinette, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Michigan, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menomonee river.	980 1112	1089 1113 1135 1228	.....	.....	1145	1190	1271	322	1102
No. 646, A..... Title reported as a substitute for bills Nos. 77, A., 114, A., and 520, A. A bill to vacate the state park, and to bring lands located therein, and other lands, into market.	980	1185 1220 1228 1268	1212 1229	.....	1228	1261	1276	367	1204 1211 1212 1215
No. 647, A..... Title reported as a substitute for Nos. 159, A., and 197, A. A bill authorizing and directing the governor to have placed in the old hall of the house of representatives at Washington statues of Generals Lucius Fairchild and Jeremiah M. Rusk.	980 1004	1004	.....	1065	.....	.....	.....	.....	980 1071
No. 648, A..... A bill to provide for the payment of licenses by plank and toll roads within this state.	1000 1093	1023 1092 1227	1124	1190	1271	317	1053 1113

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No. 649, A..... A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Grounds association of Briggsville, Marquette county.	1000 1093	1027 1092 1228	1122	1190	1272	320	1053 1113
No. 650, A..... A bill to authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposing of their garbage, and to erect crematories or other garbage reducing works thereon, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof.	1023	1108	.....	1132	.....	.....	.....	.....	1023
No. 651, A..... A bill to provide for the labeling of beverages.	1032	1197 1227 1233	.....	.....	1250	.....	.....	.....	1211 1249
No. 652, A..... A bill to amend section 1548 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 286 of the laws of 1893, relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.	1032 1077	1077 1110 1172	1131	.....	1131	1155	1270	276	1033 1131
No. 653, A..... A bill to amend subdivision 14 of section 1410a, relating to the sale of poisons.	1058 1113	1088 1112 1135	.....	.....	1145	.....	.....	.....	1102 1236
No. 654, A..... A bill to divide the town of Bloomer, Chippewa county, and to create the town of Hickland.	1069	2088 1199	1103	.....	1103	1144	1270	291	1103
No. 655, A..... A bill to provide for the collection and return of taxes in the villages of this state in certain cases.	1070	1087 1119	.....	.....	1094	1115	1188	246	.....
No. 656, A..... A bill authorizing cities in this state to furnish water to adjoining cities or villages and the inhabitants thereof for certain purposes.	1075	1087 1205	.....	.....	1103	1174	1271	296	1103
No. 657, A..... A bill to regulate the pursuit and taking of wild fowl.	1087	1171	.....	.....	1094	1154	1270	274	1094

ASSEMBLY BILLS.	Introduced and referred.	Reported by committee.	Amended.	Indefinitely postponed.	Passed assembly.	Passed senate.	Approved.	Published as ch. laws, 1897.	Other proceedings.
No. 658, A..... A bill appropriating certain sums of money to divers persons therein named, in payment of damages suffered by such persons by the enforcement of an invalid law known as chapter 221 of the laws of 1895.	1085 1152	1152 1171 1267	.....	.....	1193	1259	1275	363	1229
No. 659, A..... A bill to repeal chapter 78, of the laws of 1897, entitled, "An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county."	1098	1184	.....	1204	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 660, A..... A bill to regulate the manner of improving boulevards or pleasure ways.	1098 1152	1134 1152 1171 1255	.....	.....	1192	1237	1272	333	1149
No. 661, A..... A bill to enable and authorize cities of the first class, whether operating under general law or special charter, to provide for the disposal of their garbage, and to erect and acquire crematories and plants for the operation of the same or other garbage reducing works, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof.	1108	1199 1156	1152 .....	.....	1115	1152	1270	288	1114
No. 662, A..... A bill to amend chapter 12, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to salaries.	1121	1197	.....	1238 1253	.....	.....	.....	.....	1197 1211
No. 663, A..... A bill to authorize the appropriation of a battle ship fund and the appointment of a committee.	1136 1186	1186 1198 1268	1261	.....	1209	1259	1275	369	1136 1181
No. 664, A..... A bill to provide for the taxing of the surplus of fixed premium life insurance corporations.	1136	1206	.....	1238	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 665, A..... A bill to declare a construction, and to amend chapter 176 of the laws of 1897 and legalize juries in certain cases.	1137	1143	.....	.....	1137	1139	1188	255	.....

ASSEMBLY BILLS.	Introduced and referred.	Reported by committee.	Amended.	Indefinitely postponed.	Passed assembly.	Passed senate.	Approved.	Published as ch. laws 1897.	Other proceedings.
No. 666, A..... A bill to amend section 1, chapter 273, of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for state depositories and to regulate the deposit of public funds, and amendatory of sections 157 and 159 of the revised statutes of 1878.	1172 1199	1199 1205	.....	.....	1222	.....	.....	.....	1194 1260
No. 667, A..... A bill to amend chapter 300, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to prescribe the number and duties of the legislative employes, and the compensation of the same."	1196	1268	.....	.....	1196	1263	1275	359	1196
No. 668, A..... A bill to amend section 491 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools and the conduct of elections relating thereto.	1213	1268	.....	.....	1213	1261	1275	353	1213

HISTORY

OF

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.	Introduced.	Adopted.	Other proceedings.
<p>Res. No. 1, A.....</p> <p>Resolved, That the chief clerk be and is hereby instructed to notify the senate that the assembly is now organized, by the election of George A. Buckstaff as speaker, W. A. Nowell as chief clerk, C. M. Hambright as sergeant-at-arms, and is ready to proceed to business.</p>	6	6	
<p>Res. No. 2, A.....</p> <p>Resolved, That the use of the assembly chamber be permitted this evening for the republican senatorial caucus.</p>	7	7	
<p>Res. No. 3, A.....</p> <p>Resolved, That the rules of the assembly for 1895 be adopted for the rules of this assembly until otherwise ordered.</p>	7	7	
<p>Res. No. 4, A.....</p> <p>Resolved, That the resident clergymen of Madison be invited to open the morning session of the assembly with prayer and to receive the same compensation as at the forty-second session of the state legislature</p>	64	64	
<p>Res. No. 5, A.....</p> <p>That the chief clerk be instructed to have printed 300 extra copies of bill No. 5, A., a bill to incorporate and legalize the incorporation of certain villages.</p>	72	72	
<p>Res. No. 6, A.....</p> <p>That the use of the chamber for Tuesday evening, February 9th, be granted to the State Historical Society for the purpose of the biennial address before the society, by the Hon. Andrew D. White, of New York.</p>	72	72	
<p>Res. No. 7, A.....</p> <p>That the use of the assembly chamber be granted to the state conference of charities and corrections on the evening of Thursday, February 4th, 1897.</p>	77	77	

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.	Introduced.	Adopted.	Other proceedings.
Res. No. 8, A..... That his honor, the speaker, and a committee of two, whom the speaker shall appoint, invite Prof. Henry to deliver in the assembly hall, a lecture on beet sugar culture and its adaptability to the state of Wisconsin, the hour and date to be fixed by the professor and the committee.	84	84	88 94
Res. No. 9, A..... Instructing the sergeant-at-arms to deliver to each assemblyman's desk one copy of insurance laws of Wisconsin and supreme court decisions now in force. States."	84	127	84 127
Res. No. 10, A..... That the chief clerk be instructed to have printed 300 extra copies of assembly bill No. 10.	88	88	
Res. No. 11, A..... That the use of the assembly chamber be granted to the state agricultural society on the evening of Tuesday, February 2, 1897.	92	92	
Res. No. 12, A..... That the chief clerk of the assembly be and is hereby instructed to have printed 300 extra copies of bill No. 38, A., entitled, "A bill to repeal chapter 331 of the laws of 1895, relating to a fee of \$1.00 from applicants for teacher's certificates."	92	92	
Res. No. 13, A..... That the clerk have 300 additional copies printed of bill No. 4, relating to the incorporation of villages.	111	111	
Res. No. 14, A..... That the chief clerk be instructed to have printed 300 additional copies of assembly bills Nos. 6 and 41.	130	130	
Res. No. 15, A..... That the use of the assembly chamber be granted the state historical society for a meeting to be held Thursday evening, February 4.	130	130	
Res. No. 16, A..... That when the assembly adjourn it be until Monday evening next at 8:30 o'clock.	130	130	
Res. No. 17, A..... Ordering additional copies of Nos. 140 and 141; A.	155	155	
Res. No. 18, A..... Resolved, That 200 additional copies of medical bills, Nos. 6, A., and 41, A., be printed at once for the use of the committee and members of the legislature.	170	170	
Res. No. 19, A..... That the use of the assembly chamber be granted for an address to be delivered by T. C. Richmond of this city, on Thursday evening, February 11. Subject, "Cuba and the United	197	197	

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.	Introduced.	Adopted.	Other proceedings.
Res. No. 20, A..... That the privilege and use of the assembly chamber be tendered to L. G. Fouse, president of the Fidelity Mutual Life association of Philadelphia, for Tuesday afternoon, February 16, at 2 o'clock, for the delivery of an address on flexible insurance.	197	197	
Res. No. 21, A..... The sad news of the death of Hon. Allen Warden, at his home in Lamar, Missouri, has been received by the presiding officer of this body. Mr. Warden was a member of the second constitutional convention of this state, and one of the signers of the present constitution. He was a man of rugged intellectuality and will be greatly mourned. In view of his services as one of the founders of our present state government, it is proper that the assembly should take notice of his death, and the following resolutions are submitted: Resolved by the assembly of the state of Wisconsin, That they have heard with regret of the death of the Hon. Allen Warden, and that we tender to his mourning family and friends our deepest sympathy with their great loss. Resolved further, That a copy of this preamble and resolution be published, engrossed and forwarded to the family of the deceased.	573	573	.....
Res. No. 22, A..... Resolved, That no adjournment of the assembly take place except from day to day until April 3d next.	573	.....	573 604
Res. No. 23, A..... Whereas, Intimations have been published in certain papers reflecting upon the honor and integrity of certain members of this assembly, therefore, be it Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to investigate the truth or falsity of such intimations and that such committee report back to the assembly at their earliest convenience.	627	627	637 921 853
Res. No. 24, A..... Resolved, That the superintendent of public property be instructed to remove the storm sash from the windows of the assembly chamber.	646	646	.....
Res. No. 25, A..... Resolved, That when the assembly adjourn it be until Monday at 8:30 o'clock p. m., and that thereafter no adjournment take place except from day to day, until Friday, March 26.	655	655	.....
Res. No. 26, A..... Resolved, That bill No. 442, A., be recalled from the committee on Enrolled Bills to the assembly.	695	695	.....
Res. No. 27, A..... Whereas, There are a number of toll roads in this state, and section 1869 of the revised statutes provides that all persons or companies operating toll roads shall make an annual report to the secretary of state; and Whereas, The records show that no reports have been made, or any license fees paid into the state treasury since 1888. Therefore, be it Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to investigate and report to the assembly the reasons, if any, why the charters of all such toll roads should not be repealed for not complying with the law in reporting and paying license fees.	713	740	713 997

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.	Introduced.	Adopted.	Other proceedings.
Res. No. 28, A..... Resolved, That his excellency, the governor, be and he hereby is requested to return to the assembly No. 307, A., a bill authorizing W. G. Curtis and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Hay river in Barron county.	725	725	.....
Res. No. 29, A..... Resolved, That the governor be requested to return to the assembly bills No. 138, A., and 309, A.	777	777	.....
Res. No. 30, A..... Resolved, That a committee be appointed to report on the amount of mill tax since 1885, and the disposition thereof.	781	.....	781
Res. No. 31, A..... For appointment of committee to arrange an entertainment in the assembly chamber.	820	820	.....
Res. No. 32, A..... Whereas, A memorial to congress was introduced into this house on February 9, 1897, and referred to the committee on Federal Relations, requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to this state and placed in the rooms of the state historical society, in order that the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk may be placed in the old hall of the house of representatives, and Whereas, Said committee has failed to report, and the wording of the resolution places the odium of said measure upon the loyal men who fought side by side for the preservation of the union. Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the committee on Federal Relations is hereby instructed to immediately return to this house said memorial No. 3, A., for immediate action thereon.	952	953	953
Res. No. 33, A..... Whereas, At several town meetings held in this state, and at the last state conventions, resolutions have been adopted deprecating use of railway passes by state officials and members of the legislature; and Whereas, This assembly has by a vote of 66 to 32, declared that in its judgment the use of such passes is wrong and ought to be prohibited. Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the assembly, That the members of this assembly be, and they are hereby requested to deliver to the chief clerk of this assembly all the railway passes they have in their possession, for him to return to the railroad companies; Resolved, further, That the chief clerk be and he hereby is required to enter upon the journal from day to day the names of the members thus returning their passes.	979	.....	979 1002 1006 1020
Res. No. 34, A..... Resolved by the assembly, That an assembly special committee be appointed to serve for the remainder of this session of the legislature, to be known as the Milwaukee Delegation, and to consist of the members of assembly representing districts within the boundaries of the county of Milwaukee. The duties of such special committee shall be to consider such measures relating to affairs exclusively appertaining to that county as may be referred to them.	979	.....	979

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.	Introduced.	Adopted.	Other proceedings.
Res. No. 36, A..... Resolved by the assembly, That all speeches in the assembly be limited to five minutes, but a majority of the members present and voting, may, upon motion, grant a longer time.	1023	1036	1023 1036
Res. No. 37, A..... Resolved by the assembly, That all committees of the assembly be required to report all bills and resolutions in the hands of such committees on or before Monday evening, April 14.	1043	.....	1043 1071 1064
Res. No. 38, A..... For a committee to investigate charges against C. A. Coon.	1244	1244	1244
Res. No. 39, A..... Whereas, This assembly, duly recognizing that the faithful and efficient manner in which our chief clerk has discharged the difficult duties of his office, and the kindly courtesy and consideration that he has so uniformly shown to all members of this house has left none but pleasant memories with us all. Therefore, be it Resolved, That the thanks of this assembly are tendered to W. A. Nowell, with the assurance that we are highly pleased with him personally, and with his work as well; further, Resolved, That our thanks are also due to the assistant chief clerk and to all others of the desk force for their efficient work and courteous conduct, and they will ever be linked in our minds with pleasant recollections. Be it further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records.	1254	1254	1255

HISTORY

OF

Assembly Joint Resolutions.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTIONS.	Introduced and adopted.	Other proceedings.	Concurred in by senate.	Refused concurrence by senate.	Indefinitely postponed.
Jt. Res. No. 1, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That no new business be received by either house of the legislature after February 10, 1897, except bills and resolutions offered by standing committees concerning matters previously referred to them.	77 86	77	95	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 2, A..... WHEREAS, The electors of Wisconsin, assembled in town meeting April 2, 1895, did by a vote of more than 50,000 against less than 700, express themselves in favor of legislation prohibiting the granting of free passes, sleeping car permits, express and telegraph franks by the corporations of the state to public officers; and WHEREAS, The public press of the state is nearly unanimous in advocating legislation prohibiting the use of free passes by public officials, and WHEREAS, The county boards of many counties in the state have adopted resolutions against the free pass system, and WHEREAS, The republicans of Wisconsin, in state convention assembled, did adopt the following resolution, to-wit: Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that the granting of free railroad passes, express and telegraph franks and sleeping car permits by the corporations of this state to public officers is against public policy, and we favor such laws as will prevent the same. WHEREAS, The republican party was successful at the polls and is now in control of the state government and has a large majority in both branches of the legislature; therefore be it	77	78 86	.....	.....	.....

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

	Introduced and adopted.	Other proceedings.	Concurred in by senate.	Refused concurrence by senate.	Indefinitely postponed.
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the nearly unanimous demand of the electors of the state for the abolition of the free-pass system, as evidenced by the vote in the town meetings, by the attitude of the state press, and by the action of county boards, should be respected, and the promises made by the majority party should be faithfully redeemed.					
Resolved, That a joint special committee of five be appointed, two on the part of the senate and three on the part of the assembly, to prepare and submit to each house such measures as will meet the demands of the people upon this question, and fulfill the promises made by the majority party.					
Jt. Res. No. 3, A.....	78	78	.....	1153	.....
To amend subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.	798	724 756 782 742	..... ..... ..... .....	
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That subdivision 2 of section 1 of article 3 of the amendments to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended by striking out the words "declared their intention to," so that said subdivision, when so amended, shall read as follows: Subdivision 2. "Persons of foreign birth who shall have become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization."					
Jt. Res. No. 4, A.....	112	112	158	.....	.....
WHEREAS, The legislature of 1895 empowered the administration to supply the capitol building and park grounds thereof with a system of electric lights, in place of the disagreeable, unhealthy and more expensive lights we now have and appropriated a sum of money for the same, and the change has not been made; therefore, be it	128	206 159 796	..... ..... .....	
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate be appointed by the chair to investigate and report the reason no such change has been made and curative proceedings if possible.					
Jt. Res. No. 5, A.....	124	124	.....		159
Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the judiciary committees of the senate and assembly be and they are hereby authorized to appoint a joint sub-committee consisting of one member from the senate committee on Judiciary and two members from the assembly committee on Judiciary, to examine and consider bill No. 33, S., entitled, "A bill to revise the general statutes." Said sub-committee, when so appointed, to prosecute its work under the directions of said senate and assembly committees on Judiciary and report progress to them; further,		152 132	..... .....	
Resolved,, That said sub-committee, when so appointed, be, and the same is hereby authorized to employ a suitable clerk other than the author or authors of said bill 33 aforesaid, to assist in its labors, and shall be furnished by the superintendent of public property with such laws, statutes and other books as it may require; that it shall be the					

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

	Introduced and adopted.	Other proceedings.	Concurred in by senate.	Refused concurrence by senate.	Indefinitely postponed.
duty of such committee to embody in their proper places in said bill such laws as may be enacted at this session, as ought to form a part of the proposed statutes, and that it may have such printing done as may be necessary for the performance of its duties; further					
Resolved, That Jt. Res. No. 7, S., be and the same is hereby rescinded.					
Jt. Res. No. 6, A.....	124	124	158		
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That all bills introduced in either house of the legislature shall be at once referred to the appropriate committee indicated by its title, or some other standing committee; and no bill introduced in either house shall be referred to a select committee of one or ordered not printed. The end and purpose of this joint resolution being to prevent the introduction of bills known as "dead heads."	146				
Jt. Res. No. 7, A.....	124	124		192	
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the superintendent of public property be and is hereby instructed to procure typewriting machines for the use of the stenographers in the senate and assembly as provided by chapter 300, laws of 1895.	148	146 147 148			
Jt. Res. No. 8, A.....	155	155		1153	
Proposing an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the granting of free passes, free transportation, franking privileges or discrimination in passenger, telegraph, express, sleeping car or telephone rates.	949 1013	909 838 947 969 981		1248	
Jt. Res. No. 9, A.....	170	170	454		
WHEREAS, The state university has been required by the legislature to make a statement to the legislature of its expenditure of money, its list of instructors, its number of students, &c.; and	236	184 236 469 457			
WHEREAS, There are a great many citizens of the state of Wisconsin who do not think such statement will be comprehensive enough therefore, be it					
Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring. That a Joint committee of five, three from assembly and two from the senate, be appointed to thoroughly examine and sift the figures furnished under the report of Jt. Res. No. 9, S., and to examine into the needs of such expenditure and conduct of the university administration, and to require such further statements from the faculty and board of regents as they may deem necessary.					
Jt. Res. No. 10, A.....	187	187		1153	
Joint resolution proposing to amend section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin.	188 824	188 696			
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That section 10 of article VIII of the constitution of Wisconsin be amended by prefixing thereto the following: "Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel," and by adding to the said section the following: "No franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state or		641 685 685 754 771 795 810			

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by its aid, or of any part thereof;" so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows, viz.;					
Section 10. Except for wagon roads, designed and to be used solely for free public travel, the state shall never contract any debt for works of internal improvement, or be a party in carrying on such works; but whenever grants of land or other property shall have been made to the state, especially dedicated by the grant to particular works of internal improvement, the state may carry on such particular works; and shall devote thereto the avails of such grants, and may pledge or appropriate the revenues derived from such works in aid of their completion. No franchise or other privilege shall ever be granted for the use of any road improved by the state or by its aid, or of any part thereof.					
Jt. Res. No. 11, A.....	196	196	393		
Relating to fire and life, insurance companies doing business in this state.	236	469			
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate be appointed, to investigate the facts with reference to whether or not the fire and life insurance companies doing business within this state are paying their just and proper proportion of taxes, and to report thereon to the legislature by bill or otherwise		433			
		1136			
Jt. Res. No. 12, A.....	196	196		1153	
WHEREAS, Under the present system of biennial elections and biennial sessions of the legislature it is not possible to apportion the state into senate and assembly districts, based upon both the United States and state census, so as to cover two equal election periods; and,	885	773			
WHEREAS, The state has reached a period in its development when the general future growth will be so moderate that it will not be greatly desirable to know the exact population every fifth year, and when the sectional growth will be so rare that it will no longer be necessary to enumerate so often in order to give the different portions of the state a reasonably fair and equitable representation; and,		815			
WHEREAS, The state census entails too great an expense upon the people to be maintained without some great necessity; therefore, be it		840			
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That section 3 of article IV of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended so as to read as follows:		866			
Section 3. At their regular session after each enumeration made by the authority of the United States the legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate and assembly according to the number of inhabitants as ascertained by such census, exclusive of Indians not taxed and soldiers and officers of the United States army and navy.					

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Jt. Res. No. 13, A.....	197 236	197	274
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That all joint resolutions introduced in this legislature, except resolutions pertaining solely to routine matters, be printed and a copy thereof placed on the files of each member before such resolution is put upon its passage.					
Jt. Res. No. 14, A.....	213	213 614 833 911	..... ..... ..... .....	.....	933
WHEREAS, There exists a feeling of dissatisfaction with the present system of transferring title to land, and it is believed the vexatious delays and large expense attending such transfers may be avoided by the substitution of registration of titles in place of deeds, and that the adoption of the Torrens system of registration of titles, as practiced in Australia, British Columbia, Ontario and other places, may be practicable in this state; and, WHEREAS, It is desirable that the subject be strongly investigated, and the result of such investigation presented to the public, preparatory to action by the legislature; therefore, be it Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the governor appoint five competent persons who shall act without compensation, whose duty it shall be to make investigation of our present system of transferring land titles, and to consider whether a more simple, expeditious and inexpensive system, and one that will give greater security of title cannot be adopted, and especially to inquire into the practical working of what is known as the Australian or Torrens system of registration of land titles, and whether it can be adapted to the constitution and laws of this state. Said commission shall have power to send for persons and papers and take such testimony as they may deem proper. The said commission shall report to the governor on or before the first day of January, 1898, and the governor shall cause 3,000 copies of such report to be printed and distributed in such manner as he deems proper. The governor shall also lay such report before the next general assembly. This state shall not assume or become responsible in any manner, in whole or in part, for the expenses incurred by such commission.					
Jt. Res. No. 15, A.....	237	237	.....	.....	.....
Amending sections 3, 4, and 5, of article 3 of the constitution relating to the apportionment of senate and assembly districts.					
Jt. Res. No. 16, A.....	298	298 317 1111	..... ..... .....	.....	1131
Resolved, That the governor be, and he hereby is, instructed to direct the superintendent of public property to set apart a suitable room in the capitol building for their use as headquarters of the department Wisconsin Grand Army of the Republic, after May next, that part of agricultural room No. 125 be designated as such room, the occupancy of said room by the G. A. R. not to interfere with its use by the legislature as a committee room when in session.					

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Jt. Res.No. 17, A.....	298 604	298 317 585	646
Resolved that the assembly, the senate concurring, Send the strong sympathy of the people of the state of Wisconsin to the people of Cuba, in their heroic struggle for freedom from Spanish misrule, oppression and tyranny; that we protest, in the name of a common humanity, against the unspeakable cruelties, the shocking atrocities, now being committed by Spanish armies in that unhappy island; cruelties and atrocities unknown to civilized warfare and practiced only among savages; and that we earnestly urge upon the government of the United States to promptly and vigorously take such action as international law will permit, and humanity and civilization demand, to bring to a speedy close the butcheries and barbarities now going on under the name of war, and secure, if possible, to the people of that island, liberty and lasting peace.					
Resolved, That the chief clerk of the assembly be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the representatives and United States senators from Wisconsin in congress.					
Jt. Res. No. 18, A.....	299 358	299 317 762	.....	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the regents of the state university be requested to furnish to the legislature, as early as practicable, a report of the athletic council, giving in detail the receipts and expenditures of money in conducting athletics at the university during the year ending December 31, 1896.					
Jt. Res. No. 19, A.....	314	.....	346	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Andrew Jenson be, and hereby is permitted to introduce a bill relating to highways and bridges and amendatory of chapter 132, of the laws of 1893, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 285, of the laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 345, of the laws of 1886, entitled, 'An act to amend sections 1320 and 1321, of the revised statutes of 1878, relating to highways and bridges.' "					
Jt. Res. No. 20, A.....	314 358	314 358	.....	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the regents of the university of Wisconsin be and are hereby required to furnish to the legislature, as early as practicable, an itemized statement showing the total product of every kind produced on the university farm, especially the live stock, cheese, butter, milk, cream, eggs, hay, grain vegetables and garden produce, together with the cost of production, disposition of and amount received therefor during the year ended December 31, 1896; also showing the amount and cost of labor and material used at machinery hall, the number and kind of articles manufactured, the disposition of and amount received therefor.					
Jt. Res. No. 21, A.....	379	379	433	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Assemblyman Hoyt be allowed the privilege to introduce a bill to authorize and direct the					

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state board of health to investigate and recommend a proper system of sewage of the Menominee and Kinnickinnic valleys in the county of Milwaukee.					
Jt. Res. No. 22, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That W. A. Jones be permitted to introduce a bill amending chapter 9 of the laws of 1897, amending section 4719 of the revised statutes, relating to new trials in criminal cases.	479	.....	495	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 23, A..... In reference to a portion of the governor's message relating to the provision of additional vault room in the capitol building, for the better security of the public records and making an appropriation to defray cost of plans.	489	.....		
Jt. Res. No. 24, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That George H. Ray be permitted to introduce a bill granting the trustees of the Hamilton Cemetery Association, in La Crosse county, the right to sell a portion of its real estate, and also to purchase other real estate in said county.	505	.....	529	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 25, A..... Granting Mr. Eaton permission to introduce a bill	512	.....	529	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 26, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That T. J. McGrath be and hereby is permitted to introduce a bill to amend section 4386 of the revised statutes by inserting before the word "railroad," where it first appears in said section, the words "steam, electric or cable."	525	.....	549	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 27, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That D. F. Jones be and hereby is permitted to introduce a bill relating to the protection of public health and amendatory of section 4, of chapter 167, of the laws of 1883, entitled, "An act for the better protection of public health." Also a bill relating to the exemptions and amendatory of section 2965 of the revised statutes.	525	.....	549	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 28, A..... That 500 extra copies of bill No. 10, senate, "To revise the insurance laws of the state of Wisconsin," be printed for the use of the members of the assembly.	573	.....	604	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 29, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That S. R. Webster be and is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to the maintenance of bridges in certain cases.	627	.....	646	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 30, A..... Asking for the recall of assembly bill No. 437, now in the hands of the governor, relating to municipal court for the eastern district of Waukesha county.	695	725

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Jt. Res. No. 31, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Church be, and he is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to the discharge of filth and sewage in Delavan Lake, in the county of Walworth.	695	725
Jt. Res. No. 32, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the governor be requested to return to the assembly for further consideration.	748	.....	766	.....	.....
No. 158, A..... A bill to authorize Ira A. Fuller to keep and maintain a ferry across Lake Pepin from the village of Stockholm, Wisconsin, to Lake City, Minnesota.					
Jt. Res. No. 33, A..... Granting Mr. Overbeck permission to introduce a bill.	781	797	.....	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 34, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Hurd be allowed to introduce a bill to amend chapter 84, section 1, laws of 1896, an act to authorize the construction and operation of telegraph and telephone lines within the limits of public highways.	820	.....	843	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 35, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Wolfinger be and is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to prescribing and fixing the terms of circuit court of Calumet county.	820	.....	843	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 36, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That permission be granted to Assemblyman Rosenkrans to introduce a bill to prohibit the exhibition of pictures of prize fights or other unlawful acts by means of biograph, kintescope or kindred machines, and providing a penalty for violating the provisions thereof.	833	833	.....	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 37, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Thomas be allowed to introduce a bill to create the town of Strickland in Chippewa county.	862	.....	876	.....	.....
Jt. Res. No. 38, A..... Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Chris. Legried be, and he is hereby authorized to introduce a bill providing that where any village has become separated from the town in which it is located by a vote of the town and village as provided by law, and there shall not remain time before any general or judicial election for the ap-	863	896

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pointment of inspectors, and for fixing the place of said election, or for giving notice thereof, as required by chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, or otherwise, to comply with the law relating to holding such elections, said village shall vote at said election with the town from which it has so separated.						
Jt. Res. No. 39, A.....	901	.....	927	.....	
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That H. C. Wipperman be and is hereby authorized to introduce a bill entitled, "Relating to the wrecking of railroad trains, and providing a punishment therefor."						
Jt. Res. No. 40, A.....	923	924				
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That a committee of five (5) be appointed, consisting of two (2) members from the senate and three (3) from the assembly, to be known as the "committee on the University."		1037	954			
The term of this committee shall be for the years 1897 and 1898; said committee shall elect from their number a president and secretary, and shall conduct the business of their meetings in a formal manner and keep a record, and, in the absence of the secretary or president or both, officers pro tem shall be elected; said committee shall meet not less frequent than once in three (3) months, and oftener if it shall be by the president thereof deemed necessary. The meetings of this committee shall generally be held at the state university.			968			
The duties of this committee shall be to act upon all bills, resolutions or matters before the legislature pertaining to the university, which may be referred to it; to examine into the management and condition of the university, the method of keeping and the correctness of the accounts of receipts and disbursements of funds; the character and extent of the instruction given by each professor, instructor or assistant; the nature of the investigations being carried out; the requirements of labor; the compensation of all persons receiving pay from the board of regents; the condition of the buildings and property; the number of students in attendance at the university; and shall, not later than December first, prior to the expiration of its term, cause to be printed by the state printer, through the office of the secretary of state, one thousand (1,000) copies of a detailed report of its proceedings and findings, for distribution to and by the members of the senate and assembly for the session of 1899.			986			
Resolved, That all necessary books, stationery and supplies for the use of the committee, to be furnished by the superintendent of public property upon requisition of its president.			994			
There is hereby appropriated out of the funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to meet the purposes of this resolution.			1010			
Jt. Res. No. 41, A.....	924	.....	945	.....	
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Niss be authorized to introduce a bill relating to department stores.						

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Jt. Res. No. 42, A.....	924	971	953		
Whereas, this body has learned with sorrow of the death of one of Wisconsin's foremost citizens, Hon. Angus Cameron, who, in his long, eventful and honorable career, has filled the high official positions of speaker of the assembly, state senator and United States senator, with honor to himself and to the state; therefore, be it					
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That in his death the state of Wisconsin has lost a man whose public and private life was above reproach and one whose political sagacity, ripe judgment and high sense of honor and devotion to the cause of right and justice made of him one of					
the state's most distinguished citizens and statesmen.					
Resolved, further, That these resolutions be enrolled and a copy thereof, signed by the proper officials, be forwarded to his sorrowing wife, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy in her bereavement.					
Jt. Res. No. 43, A.....	952	.....	982		.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Taylor be permitted to introduce a bill, authorizing the county of Marinette to construct and maintain a bridge across the Menomonie river in Marinette county.					
Jt. Res. No. 44, A.....	952	.....	954		.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That regular sessions be held on Friday and Saturday next; and that when the legislature adjourns on Saturday next it be until Wednesday next at 8:30 o'clock p. m.					
Jt. Res. No. 45, A.....	972	.....			.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee of three from the assembly and two from the senate be appointed to attend the funeral of the late ex-Senator Cameron at La Crosse on Friday, April 2, at 2:30 p. m.					
Jt. Res. No. 46, A.....	980	.....	997		.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That S. W. Pierce be and he is hereby authorized to introduce a bill, entitled, "A bill to legalize the acts of the officers of the Protestant Cemetery Ground Association of Briggsville, Marquette county, Wisconsin.					
Jt. Res. No. 47, A.....	989	.....	1001		.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Hoyt be permitted to introduce a bill to provide for the payment of license by plank and toll roads within this state.					
Jt. Res. No. 48, A.....	1017	1035	1029		.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That Mr. Clason be permitted to introduce a bill, being a bill to provide for the labeling of beverages.					

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Jt. Res. No. 49, A.....					1017	1029
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Agen be permitted to introduce a bill relating to excise and sale of intoxicating liquors.									
Jt. Res. No. 50, A.....					1017	.....	1029	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Frink be permitted to introduce a bill authorizing cities of the first class to provide for the disposing of their garbage and erect crematoriums or other garbage reducing works thereon, and to issue bonds for the payment thereof.									
Jt. Res. No. 51, A.....					1032	.....	1047	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Hall be permitted to introduce a bill making it the duty of all persons selling or disposing of poisons to place the same in bottles, red in color and triangular in shape.									
Jt. Res. No. 53, A.....					1043	.....	1081	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Bullard be and he is hereby authorized and permitted to introduce a bill authorizing cities owning, maintaining and operating a system of waterworks to contract to supply and to furnish to adjoining cities and villages water for fire, mechanical and domestic purposes.									
Jt. Res. No. 54, A.....					1069	.....	1071	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Eaton be and he hereby is authorized to introduce a bill providing for the collection and return of taxes in villages of this state in certain cases.									
Jt. Res. No. 55, A.....					1069	1069 1089	.....	.....	1104
WHEREAS, The present methods of ventilation of the assembly chamber are incomplete, out of date and in the highest degree unsatisfactory and dangerous to the health of the members of that body, and WHEREAS, Owing to the faulty construction of said chamber it is only by great effort that the different members are able to make themselves heard, and WHEREAS, In the discussion of public questions it is necessary that every opportunity be afforded for a full and complete understanding of the different questions under debate; therefore, be it Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the governor be and is hereby authorized to adopt such measures as may be necessary to cure the defects in ventilation and acoustic properties of said chamber.									
Jt. Res. No. 56, A.....					1069	.....	1081	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Hurlbut be permitted to introduce a bill repealing chapter 78 of the laws of the present session, entitled, "An act to legalize certain acts of the board of supervisors of Burnett county."									

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Jt. Res. No. 57, A.....	1075	See errata.	1100
Resolved by the Assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr Burnham be and he is hereby permitted to introduce a bill relating to the improvement of boulevards and pleasure ways for the purpose of correcting the phraseology which was not approved by the governor in bill No. 399, A., in which cities of the first class were erroneously described as cities of 100,000 inhabitants and over.					
Jt. Res. No. 58, A.....	1098	1115	1116	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the superintendent of public property be and hereby is instructed to furnish and deliver a copy of Vol. 1, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes to Mr. Hogan, and a copy of Vol. 2, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, to Mr. Eaton, and also both volumes of same to each of the following members: D. K. Smith, Wynn Edwards and O. F. Minch, to replace the statutes stolen from their desks in the assembly chamber.					
Jt. Res. No. 59, A.....	1115	1132	1139	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That a committee of conference, consisting of four members from the senate and four members from the assembly be appointed to report to the legislature what, in their judgment, is the earliest date possible for the legislature to take the proposed recess, and to recommend a date for the reconvening of the legislature and to report by resolution as soon as practicable.					
Jt. Res. No. 60, A.....	1118	.....	1139	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. Wheeler be permitted to introduce a bill to provide for the construction which shall be placed upon chapter 176, of the laws of 1897, with reference to the practice of empaneling juries prior to July 1, 1897.					
Jt. Res. No. 61, A.....	1182 1183	1269	1207	.....	.....
WHEREAS, The president of the United States has chosen Hon. William A. Jones, a member of the legislature of Wisconsin, as commissioner of Indian Affairs in the department of the interior, therefore					
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the thanks of the legislature of Wisconsin are hereby tendered to President McKinley for placing at the head of this important bureau a gentleman of eminent ability, irreproachable character and highest business qualities, thereby insuring to the government a safe, economical and honest administration of its Indian affairs.					
Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be properly engrossed and forwarded to the president.					
Jt. Res. No. 62, A.....	1205	.....	1212	.....	.....
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That Mr. W. A. Jones be permitted to introduce a bill to amend section 491, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, respecting the establishment and maintenance of free high schools in towns, or towns and villages, and the conduct of elections relating thereto.					

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Jt. Res. No. 63, A.....	1239	1239	1266
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring. That the sympathy of the people of Wisconsin is hereby extended to the Greeks in their heroic struggle for the rights of man to think and act in matters political and religious in the spirit born of Thermopylae, and consecrated to humanity at Salamis.	1249	1244 1249
Now, as then liberty loving Greece fights for the elevation of humanity, and the upward and onward march of the race toward the goal of its final destiny, where an enlightened manhood can, while exemplifying the brotherhood of man through the creedless faith of love, worship God with a freedom of conscience only found when the clouds of oppression and despotism have been dispelled by the sun of universal liberty.					
The Turk is the foe to life, liberty, and progress. He is the destroyer of progress, the robber of human rights and the murderer of conscience. He not only stands for all that is bad that comes down to us from the past, but champions and defends all that is vicious and degrading in the civilization of today. It is our earnest wish that victory, swift and certain, shall rest with the armies of Greece upon every battlefield, and the Turk shall be driven from Grecian soil.					
And that we earnestly urge upon the government and the people of the United States to do all that the Monroe doctrine and international law will permit to assist Greece in her brave battle for the rights of man, and the inestimable privileges of civilization.					
Resolved, That the chief clerk of the assembly be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the representatives and United States senators from Wisconsin in congress.					
Jt. Res. No. 64, A.....	1285	1285 1295	.....	.....	.....
To suspend the effect of ch. 367, laws 1897, relating to the estimating, appraising and sale of certain state lands.					
Jt. Res. No. 65, A.....	1294	1294
Permitting Mr. Davidson to introduce two bills.					

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Assembly Memorials to Congress.

ASSEMBLY MEMORIALS TO CONGRESS.	Introduced and referred.	Reported by com- mittee.	Passed assembly.	Concurred in by senate.	Approved.	Other proceedings.
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Memorial to Congress, No. 2, A..... Requesting consideration and passage of bill No. 3058, United States senate, now pending in congress.	188	363	530	594	657	384 480 506 602
Memorial to Congress, No. 3, A..... Requesting that the statue of Pere Marquette be returned to the state and placed in the rooms of the state historical society, in order that the statues of Generals Fairchild and Rusk may be placed in the old hall of the house of representatives.	195 196	968 .....	..... .....	..... .....	..... .....	953 971 972
Mem. No. 4, A..... For the passage of H. R. bill No. 1, relating to the classification and compensation of clerks in the United States railway mail service.	213	332 441 468	482	576	766	360

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SENATE BILLS.

SENATE BILLS.	Received from senate.	Referred to com- mittee.	Report by com- mittee.	Concurred in.	Other proceedings.
No. 2, S. A bill to authorize the Citizens' State Bank of Whitewater to reduce its capital stock from seventy- five thousand dollars to fifty thousand dollars.	784	786	794	856	827
No. 3 S. A bill to provide that any corporation, re-organized or re-incorporated, may amend its articles or re- organization or re-incorporation.	74	.....	.....	75	75
No. 4, S. A bill to increase the efficiency of the state free li- brary commission and making an appropriation therefor.	1019	1020	1119	1162	1157
No. 5, S. A bill in relation to the labeling and marking of convict made goods, wares and merchandise manu- factured in states requiring the labeling and mark- ing of such goods, wares and merchandise.	813	815	840	896	858
No. 8, S. A bill to authorize commissioners of public lands to invest a portion of the trust funds of the state in bonds of school district No. 2 of the city of Apple- ton	192	193	272	290 283	..........
No. 9, S. A bill relating to general elections and amendatory of chapter 288, laws of 1893.	393	395	584	631	617
No. 11, S. A bill to authorize the German American Bank, of Oshkosh.	183	184	234	274	266

SENATE BILLS.

	Received from senate.	Referred to com- mittee.	Report by com- mittee.	Concurred in.	Other proceedings.
No. 12, S. A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 197, of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan, on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee for public park and boulevard purposes."	393	394	915	983	469 961
No. 13, S. A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to grant to the city of Milwaukee a certain portion of submerged land lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan on the eastern frontage of the city of Milwaukee, northeasterly from the eastern line of section 21, to the northerly line of section 15, in the 18th ward of the city of Milwaukee, for public park and boulevard purposes."	393	394	916	983	961
No. 14, S. A bill to confer upon municipal corporations the power to condemn riparian rights for public purposes.	345	346	916	983	961
No. 16, S. A bill to promote physical education.	616	616	701 773	740	728
No. 17, S. A bill to amend section 29, chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot and for other purposes."	647	648	721	768	741
No. 19, S. A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 6 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee."	184	184	755	799	769
No. 21, S. A bill to amend chapter 379 of the private and local laws of Wisconsin for the year 1857, providing for the vacation of certain streets in the city of Milwaukee.	336	338	491	531	509
No. 22, S. A bill to regulate the manner in which inmates in the several penal, reformatory and charitable state institutions may be removed from one of these institutions to another.	393	.....	.....	457	436
No. 23, S. A bill to amend chapter 312, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government.	468	469 550	528 642	678	678 550 642 659 704
No. 27, S. A bill to amend paragraph four of section 163, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relative to the duties of the attorney general.	184	184	755	799	769 843

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No. 29, S..... A bill to provide for a more correct record of birth and deaths.	704	705	902	983	961
No. 30, S..... A bill to provide a contingent fund for the prevention of cholera and other dangerous contagious diseases, and provide for an appropriation.	813	815	840	897	858
No. 32, S..... A bill relative to establishing free public libraries in cities, villages and towns.	576	577	1025	1060	1041
No. 34, S..... A bill to appropriate money for purchase of stationery for the use of the state	184	184	256	281	274
No. 35, S..... A bill to repeal section 7, chapter 291, relating to fees required to be paid to the state treasurer for the examination of banks.	346	346	737	.....	783 770 814 845
No. 36, S..... A bill amendatory of sections 1, 5 and 12 of chapter 291, laws of 1895, relating to banks.	336	338	1206	.....	1223
No. 38, S..... A bill to authorize circuit judges to discharge judicial duties in circuits in which they do not usually preside.	336	338	809	857	827
No. 39, S..... A bill to amend section 1, chapter 322, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the canvass and return of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes.	813	815	1198	.....	1214
No. 40, S..... A bill to appropriate money to pay for the copies of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes for this legislature.	184	184	256	281	274 303
No. 43, S..... A bill to amend section 3382 of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to guardians and wards.	184	184	756	799	769
No. 45, S..... A bill to encourage the production of beet sugar in the state of Wisconsin and to make an appropriation therefor.	784	786	834	896	858
No. 48 S..... A bill fixing the amount of money to be kept on hand in the treasury of cities of the first class.	393	395	491	532	509

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No. 50, S..... A bill to provide additional employes of the legislature, and to make appropriations therefor.	192	193 1175	273 1218	305	282 304 1173 1241
No. 56, S..... A bill to require license for the hunting of deer.	844	897	938	985 999	858 985 845 858 963 999 1018
No. 57, S..... A bill to regulate the taking, possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game.	813	858	869	928	826 905 1000 953 898 954 815 1101
No. 58, S..... A bill for an act to regulate the nominations of candidates.	813	815 1040	935 1118	1182	960 1021 1148 1181 1208
No. 59, S..... A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 290 of laws of 1896, relating to terms of confinement of persons sentenced to the workhouse of an county or counties.	998	1003	1034	.....	998 1062
No. 60, S..... A bill to amend section 1364a, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to sidewalks in towns.	336	338	365	435	383
No. 61, S..... A bill to amend section 4591, revised statutes, relating to the punishment of sodomy.	725	726 919	864 925	984	919 925 961
No. 62, S..... A bill amending section 3840 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 171 of the laws of 1893, relating to county courts.	576	577	723	768	742
No. 65, S..... A bill to authorize the joint special committee on the revision of the statutes to employ a clerk and a stenographer and making an appropriation therefor.	367	368	445	483	469 495
No. 66, S..... A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Female College," approved January 29, 1855, as amended by private and local laws of 1861, chapter 31, and by private and local laws of 1868, chapter 452, and by laws of 1889, chapter 6, and by laws of 1893, chapter 294.	337	338	492	532 975	509 657 690 677 975

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No. 67, S. A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the female normal institute and high school at Milwaukee," approved March 1, 1851, as amended by private and local laws of 1853, chapter 257, private and local laws of 1855, chapter 63, and laws of 1876, chapter 209.	337	338	505	550 975	532 657 677 678 690 975
No. 68, S. A bill to exempt from taxation lands possessed and used by cities and villages as public parks or grounds.	903	904	941	984	961
No. 71, S. A bill to provide for the collection of special assessments upon the property of corporations.	725	726	750	800	769
No. 76, S. A bill to provide for the enforcement of laws relative to fish and game, and providing officers therefor, and make appropriations for same.	1048	1083	1087	1094	1048 1062 1072
No. 77, S. A bill to revise and amend the laws of the state relating to the organization, powers and duties of the state board of fish commissioners.	903	962	964	1039	986 904
No. 87, S. A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes and cigarette paper to minors.	337	338	1219	1252	1246 1252 1260
No. 90, S. A bill to amend section 1131 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 95, of the laws of 1879, relating to the publication of notice for the sale of lands for the non-payment of taxes.	495	496	516	550	533
No. 91, S. A bill to amend section 4, chapter 6, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to establish a police court in the city of Milwaukee."	393	395	723	768	742
No. 92, S. A bill to amend section 2483 of the revised statutes of 878, relating to the salary of the judge of the county court of Milwaukee county.	337	338 436	265 723	768	383 742
No. 96, S. A bill relating to the Milwaukee house of correction.	1190	.....	.....	1210	1191 1203
No. 97, S. A bill to provide that any corporation heretofore incorporated under the provisions of section 1771 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the purpose of "affording pecuniary relief to its members for disability caused by sickness or accident, and to provide for the payment of a mortuary benefit to the beneficiaries of deceased members," and re-organized and re-incorporated under chapter 440 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1891, may amend its articles of re-organization and re-incorporation.	973	976	1206	1223

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No. 99, S..... A bill to repeal chapter 445 of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1889, entitled, "An act to authorize parties therein named to construct and maintain a dam or dams across the Chief river, town 41 north, range 7 west, and to collect toll on the same."	563	563	702	740	728
No. 101, S..... A bill to amend section 1733, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, entitled "Inspectors' offices," where to be.	393	395	513	550	533
No. 105, S..... A bill to cede certain lands in Calumet county, Wisconsin, to the United States.	367	368	586	631	617
No. 106, S..... A bill to amend section 1, chapter 311, laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to authorize cities operating under special charters granted by the legislature, and containing a population of 3,000 or more inhabitants, to issue corporate bonds for certain purposes."	647	648	805	857	827 845
No. 107, S..... A bill to establish a board of police and fire commissioners in cities of the second and third classes.	1019	1020	1105	1127	1127 1152
No. 108, S..... A bill making it a penal offense to obtain a credit, or goods, or money, or other property by any false statements in writing, made to any merchant, dealer or bank or mercantile agency, with the fraudulent intent to obtain credit whereby any one relying upon this statement is defrauded.	1155	1156	1185	.....	1203 1210
No. 113, S..... A bill to authorize cities in certain cases to divide unpaid street and sewer assessments into installments, and give time for the payment thereof, to facilitate the funding of municipal indebtedness, and for other purposes.	481	482	538	564 591	550 591 579
No. 114, S..... A bill to amend section 2, chapter 303, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide clerks of county courts."	337	338	365	436	333
No. 115, S..... A bill to appropriate a sum of money therein named to the Wisconsin State Fireman's Association.	495	496	584	631	617
No. 116, S..... A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 288 of the laws of 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."	394	395 739	721 752	800	740 769
No. 117, S..... A bill to amend section 4559, revised statutes, relating to injury to wires by removal of buildings, etc., without notice.	337	338	723	768	742 768 844 844 973 976 1173

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No. 119, S..... A bill relating to the employment of prisoners confined in the prisons of the state of Wisconsin.	1175	1201	1179 1193
No. 120, S..... A bill authorizing cities to acquire lands outside the city limits for certain purposes, and to create park commissions and prescribe their powers and duties.	529	529	574	631	617
No. 121, S..... A bill relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339 of chapter 52 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	616	616 878 961	808 936 992	857 1041	827 1003 1041 857 860
No. 124, S..... A bill to permit sureties on bonds to limit their liability.	337	338	.....	691	659
No. 126, S..... A bill to amend section 17 of sub-chapter 4, and sub-division thirty-first, of section 52, of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government," section 142 of chapter 326 of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government," as amended by chapter 312 of the general laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 199, of the laws of 1895; sections 143, 204, 206 and 51 of chapter 326, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes, and providing for their incorporation and government."	647	648	775	825	800
No. 129, S..... A bill to appropriate to the commissioners of fisheries a sum of money therein named.	676	678	699	741	728
No. 130, S..... A bill to amend section 1195, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, entitled, "Timber on land sold counties not to be cut."	394	395	489	532	509
No. 131, S..... A bill providing for the granting of certain lands for a highway therein named.	495	496	515 810	550	533
No. 132 S..... A bill relating to hotels and inns.	855	855	936	984	961
No. 133, S..... A bill to amend chapter 265, of the laws of 1891, entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies.' "	704 1181	705 1185	1119	1157 1162 1204 1215 1224

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No. 134, S. A bill providing for the inspection of steam boilers, and appointment of a steam boiler inspector, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.	1099	1101	1133	1157
No. 137, S. A bill to fix the place where a constable shall hold his office, and providing a penalty and forfeiture for a violation of its provisions.	563	563 739	723 776	825	801
No. 139, S. A bill relating to the election, or appointment of women upon school boards or boards of education, in cities of the second and third classes, existing under special charters.	495	496	594 810	577	565
No. 140, S. A bill to amend section 529, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, relating to the employment of teachers in towns having the township system of school government.	337	338	583	631	617
No. 141, S. A bill to amend section 540, Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, prescribing certain duties of town treasurers in towns having the township system of school government.	576	577	701	740	728
No. 143, S. A bill to provide for an increase of income of normal schools.	367	368	581	631	617
No. 145, S. A bill to regulate the location of all public institutions in the state of Wisconsin.	394	395	440	482	470
No. 146, S. A bill to amend chapter 80 of the revised statutes of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1878, entitled, "Of voluntary assignments.	1208	1208	1213	1250	1241
No. 148, S. A bill concerning the territorial boundaries of cities and villages.	563	563	1183	.....	1213
No. 149, S. A bill to amend section 1632, revised statutes, relating to the appraisement of damages done by animals.	337	338	837	896	858
No. 150, S. A bill to set aside certain land to the Wisconsin Military Reservation.	367	368	601	658	632
No. 151, S. A bill to provide fishways in the dams on and across streams and other waters within the state of Wisconsin and amendatory of chapter 337, laws of Wisconsin, 1895.	704	741	728 843

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No. 154, S..... A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 305, laws of 1887, as amended by section 5, chapter 296, laws of 1891, and chapter 12, of laws of 1895, relating to jurisdiction of local insurance companies.	1190	1191	1206	1241	1224
No. 156, S..... A bill to regulate the manner of drawing petit jurors.	784	786	837	896	858 927
No. 159, S. A bill to abolish the fees of and to fix the salary of the county judge of Dane county.	541	541	723	768	742
No. 161, S..... A bill to provide for the taxation of street railways.	895	896 973	941 1043	1064	963 1063 1064 1081 973
No. 165 S..... A bill to authorize the commissioner of public lands to loan a portion of the trust funds of the state to joint school district number one of the city of Black River Falls and the town of Albion, in Jackson county.	394	395	440	482	470
No. 166, S..... A bill to regulate the sale of vaccine virus, therapeutical serum, modified toxine, and similar products, intended to be used in the prevention and treatment of contagious diseases.	725	726	835	897	858
No. 169, S..... A bill to prevent corrupt practices in elections and for elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and provide penalties and remedies for violations of this bill.	1035 1160	1101	1196	1226	1036 1100 1214 1225 1226 1248
No. 170, S..... A bill to provide for salary of librarians of school districts.	814	815	1026	.....	1042
No. 171, S..... A bill to amend chapter 373, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act relating to the compensation of committees of county boards within the state, and amendatory of section 668 of the revised statutes."	875	877	910	983	962 1001
No. 172, S..... A bill relating to auctions and auctioneers, and amendatory of section 1590, of chapter 68, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin.	394	395	490	532	509
No. 173, S..... A bill relating to highways and bridges, and amendatory of section 1291 of chapter 52 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 127 of the laws of 1893.	1019	1020	1089	1126	1102

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No. 174, S..... A bill to change the title of the corresponding secretary of the state historical society.	590	591	701	741	729
No. 175, S..... A bill to provide for acquiring additional land for a rifle range, and for other purposes, and to make an appropriation therefor.	814	815	866	929	920
No. 178, S..... A bill appropriating the sums of money named therein, to the reformatory, charitable and penal institutions of the state.	1199	.....	.....	1223	1200 1214
No. 180, S..... A bill to apportion certain money.	725	727 800	752 911	.....	769 963
No. 181, S..... A bill relating to malicious, civil or criminal action against members of the Wisconsin national guard.	367	368	916	984	962 1001
No. 182, S..... A bill in aid of the public health and to prohibit the sale and use of contaminated ice for drinking, eating or cooling purposes, cut in any waters in the state of Wisconsin.	785	786	868	.....	919 929
No. 183, S..... A bill to regulate the printing of reports of the state board of health.	676	678	939	984	961
No. 185, S..... A bill to provide for the enforcement of penalties and forfeitures under the provisions of special charters in cities having 100,000 or more inhabitants and for the violation of ordinances, rules, regulations or by-laws of such city.	647	648	916	984	962 1001
No. 190, S..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 206 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of societies organized for the purpose of securing homes for orphans, or abandoned, neglected or grossly ill-treated children, by adoption or otherwise, and providing rules for the regulation of the same.	998	.....	.....	1039	998 1002
No 191, S..... A bill relating to notices to lot owners of special assessments for sewer purposes, in cities of the third class incorporated under special charters.	677	678	720	768	742
No. 193, S..... A bill to authorize the dismissal of pending suits and proceedings for want of prosecution.	394	394	773	825	801
No. 194, S..... A bill to amend section 371 of the annotated statutes as amended by chapter 136 of the laws of 1895, relating to the state library.	844	845	1025	1061	1041

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No. 199, S..... A bill to amend chapter 47, laws of 1895, relating to school libraries.	495	496	581	631	617
No. 200, S..... To amend section 4 of chapter 291, laws of 1880, entitled, An act relating to the equalization of assessments.	903	904	965	1039	986 1081
No. 203, S..... A bill relating to the employment of stenographers and copyists by the justices of the supreme court, and amendatory of section 2400 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, and containing an appropriation therefor.	814	815 999	1034 916	1073	961 985 1063 1098 999
No. 205, S..... A bill to amend chapter 292, laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 181, laws of 1895, relating to the Wisconsin national guard.	797	797	866	929	920
No. 206, S..... A bill to provide for the appointment of a purchasing agent for the charitable and penal institutions of the state, and making an appropriation therefor.	1208	1209	1234	.....	1252
No. 207, S..... A bill to amend chapter 345, laws of 1883, as amended by chapter 337, laws of 1895, relating to licenses for telephones.	1100	1101	1109	1201	1128 1146 1179
No. 208, S..... A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 143 of the private and local laws of 1855, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Prairie du Chien bridge company, approved March 10, 1855.	759	760	806	857	827
No. 217, S..... A bill relating to reassessment of invalid special taxes and assessments, and to provide for the payment of taxes based on such reassessment.	704	705	992	1060	1003 1041
No. 218, S..... A bill to authorize the appointment of assistant city attorneys in cities of the first and second classes, as defined by section 1 of chapter 312, of laws of Wisconsin for 1893, whether such city be incorporated by special act of the legislature or under the general laws of the state.	677	678	773	825	901
No. 219, S..... A bill to fix the salary of the city clerk in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred thousand or more, and to require all city officers to file sworn pay rolls for the disbursement of all moneys appropriated for clerk hire or other services.	1100	1101	1109	1147	1128 1127 1155 1156 1246 1173
No. 222, S..... A bill to declare the true intent and meaning of chapter 224 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1893.	647	648	837	897	858

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No. 223, S. A bill to amend chapter 263 of the laws of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, annuity, guaranty, safe deposit and security companies, and to repeal chapter 158, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies,' and the repeal of chapter 33, laws of 1885, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies, and to repeal chapter 294 of the laws of 1883, entitled, 'An act to provide for the organization of trust companies.'"	759	760	1109	1128
No. 228, S. A bill relating to the organization of societies auxiliary to the state historical society, and amendatory of chapter 24, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	725	727	763	825	801
No. 229, S. A bill relating to the printing of the proceedings of the state conference of charities and corrections, and to amend section 5, chapter 526, laws of 1889.	759	.....	.....	800	769
No. 234, S. A bill to amend chapter 1 of the laws of 1887, being an act to revise and amend chapter 43 of the private and local laws of 1869, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Wisconsin Odd Fellows' Mutual Life Insurance company, and the several acts amendatory thereof."	895	896	992	1039	1002
No. 235, S. A bill to provide for the enlarging and equipment of the state historical library building, and extending the tax levy therefor.	946	946	1025	1061	1041
No. 237, S. A bill to appropriate a certain sum of money for additional room and improvements at the Wisconsin veteran's home.	1100	1101	1111	1147	1129 1154
No. 239, S. A bill to amend section 942 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, in relation to county, town, village or city bonds issued in aid of railroads.	495	496	613	658	632
No. 241, S. A bill relating to security for costs, and amendatory of section 2943 of the revised statutes.	590	591	591 837	897	859 927
No. 247, S. A bill authorizing the common council of cities to change the number and boundaries of wards by ordinances.	468	469	581	621	617
No. 249, S. A bill to facilitate the giving of bonds required or permitted by law and to repeal chapter 196, of the laws of 1893 and chapter 219 of the laws of 1893.	1144	1144	1170	1201	1194 1207

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No. 252, S..... A bill relating to bakeries and persons employed therein.	563	563	966	1039	986 1115 1116 1163 1194 1260 1289 1290 1291 1297 1298
No. 261, S..... A bill to provide for the management of public schools in all cities in this state having a population of one hundred or more.	726	727	937	984	961
No. 264, S..... A bill relating to evidence of ordinances, by-laws, resolutions and regulations of cities and villages, and amendatory of section 4137, of the revised statutes.	495	496	749	800	769 843
No. 266, S..... A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 59 of the laws of 1889, relating to the terms of court in the second judicial circuit.	563	563	810	857	827
No. 267, S..... A bill to submit to the people an amendment to section 7 of article 7 of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin.	576	577	613	658	692
No. 273, S..... A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to incorporate the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank-road company, approved February 2, 1846," as amended by an act, entitled, "An act to provide for the continuation of the Lisbon and Milwaukee plank road from Watertown to Madison, approved March 1, 1848."	1260	1262	.....	1262	1262
No. 275, S..... A bill to amend section 2432 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to circuit courts.	337	338	810	857	827
No. 276, S..... A bill to appropriate to the persons therein named a sum of money for expenses incurred in serving on apportionment committee, as provided in joint resolution No. 20, A., of 1895.	1138	1139	.....	1163	1139 1157
No. 285, S..... A bill authorizing and empowering corporations organized for the purpose of erecting bridges, to condemn lands.	785	786	864	984	919 962
No. 286, S..... A bill providing for the appointment of assistant and deputy district attorneys in the several counties of the state.	785	786 1039	864 1045	920 1063 929 984

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No. 287, S..... A bill relating to railroads, and amendatory of section 1833 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.	998	998 1086	1086 1109	1147	1128
No. 288, S..... A bill to continue and appropriation of money to the university of Wisconsin.	1138	.....	.....	1163	1139 1157
No. 289, S..... A bill to amend section 1, chapter 196, laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to amend section 3962 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians for minors."	726	726	773	825	801
No. 290, S..... A bill to prevent trusts, monopolies and illegal combinations.	759	760	837	897	858
No. 292, S..... A bill to provide for the collection of dairy statistics.	495	496	536	564	556 738 739
No. 293, S..... A bill to prevent combinations of fire insurance companies.					
No. 294, S..... A bill relating to the disposition of fines in certain cases.	814	815	917	984	963 1001
No. 297, S..... A bill to lay out and establish a state road, from the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin to Milwaukee.	759	760 1039	940 1151	.....	963 1165 984 1214
No. 299, S..... A bill to amend chapter 302, laws of 1891, entitled, "An act relating to forms for and statements of licensed insurance companies and amendatory of section 1971 of the revised statutes," of insurance corporations.	303	319	333	383	304 359 383 319 394
No. 301, S..... A bill to amend section 1, chapter 148, of the laws of 1895, making an appropriation to the State Horticultural society.	946	946	967	1040	986
No. 304, S..... A bill to amend chapter 215 of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act in relation to appeals to the supreme court in certain cases."	563	563	864	928	920
No. 309, S..... A bill to provide for the control and suppression of contagious and infectious diseases.	726	726	1087	.....	1102
No. 310, S..... A bill relating to the taxation and licensing of water works in this state.	1161	1162	1175 1179

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No. 311, S..... A bill relating to sprinkling of streets in cities of the fourth class.	759	760	964	986
No. 316, S..... A bill to legalize the acts of Chas. F. Krebs, a police justice and justice of the peace within and for the city of Jefferson, Jefferson county.	367	368	864	928	920
No. 318, S..... A bill authorizing corporations under chapter 91, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, for the year 1878, to change their names.	495	496	538	564	550
No. 320, S..... A bill to detach certain territory from Forest county and attach the same to the counties of Oneida and Vilas and create the town of Cavour in Forest county.	1121	1122	1150	1181	1122 1165 1166 1180 1189
No. 324, S..... A bill to authorize Mitland H. Wilcox to erect, maintain and keep a dam across a spring brook in Dunn county Wisconsin.	576	577	1044	1072	1063 1093
No. 325, S..... A bill to protect farmers and others in the enjoyment of certain riparian rights.	704	705 810	..... 1046 809	.....	1063
No. 331, S..... A bill to authorize street railway companies and electric railway companies to acquire land by right of eminent domain.	677	678 859	864 810	930	827 930 859 919 953
No. 333, S..... A bill to amend chapter 202 of laws of 1882, being section 2894, Sanborn & Berryman's statutes, relating to entry of judgments and taxation of costs.	394	394	837	897	858
No. 338, S..... A bill to amend sections 15, 16, 26, 27, 31 and 32 of chapter 288, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1893, entitled, "An act to consolidate and revise the statutes of the state, relating to general elections, the conduct, canvass and returns of the same, and to secure the secrecy and purity of the ballot, and for other purposes."	1100	1101	1142	1241	1166 1202 1203 1181 1224 1248
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No. 340, S..... A bill relating to admission or license to practice as attorneys of courts of records in this state, and amendatory of sub-division 2 of section 2686 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, as amended by chapter 144 of the laws of Wisconsin of 1881, and chapter 63 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1885.	590	591	837	928	

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No. 349, S..... A bill to abolish and repeal the civil jurisdiction of the county court of Dodge county.	814	815	936	963
No. 350, S..... A bill to regulate the transportation and burial of bodies of persons dead of contagious disease.	726	726	1045	1072	1062
No. 352, S..... A bill to authorize Kirby Thomas, N. B. Arnold, and A. R. Mills, their associates or assigns, to maintain dam or dams and other improvements in the Middle river, for handling logs or other purposes.	904	904	1088	1126	1102
No. 353, S..... A bill to provide for securing adequate fire protection for the capitol building and necessary facilities for sprinkling the capitol park, and making an appropriation therefor.	814	815	1089	1126	1102
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No. 355, S..... A bill to repeal chapter 268, laws of 1889, relating to struck juries.	1138	1139	1151	1166
No. 358, S..... A bill to legalize the acts of H. N. Cronkrite, a justice of the peace within and for the county of Rock, elected by the voters of the village of Clinton, Rock county, Wisconsin.	726	726	773	826	801
No. 360, S..... A bill relating to cemeteries.	726	727	752	800	769
No. 361, S..... A bill to authorize George Beyer and Charles Hall, their successors and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across Oconto river, in Oconto county, Wisconsin.	814	815	980	1039	1003
No. 363, S..... A bill in relation to corporations, and to amend section 1775 of the revised statutes.	726	727	806	857	828
No. 364, S..... A bill levying a state tax for the years 1897 and 1898.	814 927	925	930	827 930 921 815 945 882

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No. 365, S..... A bill to provide for the safe investment of school funds.	590	591	701	741	729
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No. 367, S..... A bill authorizing the State Historical Society to sell and convey certain real estate.	814	815	1025	1060	1041
No. 368, S..... A bill designating the seventh day of June, 1898, as a public holiday, authorizing the governor to secure an official observance thereof, and appropriating a sum of money sufficient therefor.	998	998	1027	1062	1042 1099
No. 369, S..... A bill to provide for repairing the executive residence, and making an appropriation therefor.	1144	1144	1117	1166	1166
No. 370, S..... A bill to authorize Wm. J. Walsh, Fred Morey and W. A. Bradford, their associates, heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam across the Wisconsin river, in Vilas county.	876	877	937	984	962
No. 371, S..... A bill to legalize the acts of Helge Larson, a justice of the peace, within and for the county of Vernon, elected by the voters of the town of Coon, Vernon county, Wisconsin.	895	896	936	984	962
No. 373 S..... A bill relating to vaults in the state capitol building and making an appropriation therefor.	998	.....	.....	1040	1002 998
No. 374, S..... A bill to amend section 383a, of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes, relating to the printing of special reports of the regents of the Wisconsin university, and making an appropriation therefor.	1048	1048	1119	1164	1157
No. 375, S..... A bill to amend section 26 of chapter 326 of the laws of 1889, as amended by section 14 of chapter 312 of the laws of 1893, as amended by section 2 of chapter 70 of the laws of 1897, entitled, "An act dividing cities into classes and providing for their incorporation and government."	876	877	877

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No. 378, S..... A bill relating to ditches and drains, and amendatory of section 1388 of Sanborn & Berryman's annotated statutes.	1190	1191	1196	1214
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No. 384, S..... A bill to prevent unjust discrimination by fire in- surance companies, in the use of co-insurance clauses or riders.	1190	1191	1206	1251	1229
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No. 406, S..... A bill authorizing the commissioners appointed under chapter 5, laws of 1895, appropriating a certain sum of money for the erection of monuments on the battlefield of Chickamauga, to erect a monument on the battlefield of Chattanooga and making an appropriation therefor.	1200	1229	1200 1215 1218

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No. 64, A., 254; 112, A., 280; 245, A., 326; 265, A.; 440, A., 397; 670, 671, A., 522; 704, A., 546; 724, 725, A., 557; 848, A., 599; 895, A.; 993, 994, 995, A., 681; 1002 to 1002, A.; 1135, A., 789.

BULLARD, SILAS—

Chairman of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 25, A., 78; Nos. 94 and 95, A., 113; Nos. 127 and 128, A., 126; Nos. 137 and 138, A., 131; No. 139, A., 132; No. 157, A., 156; Nos. 195, 196, A., 165; 219, 220, A., 172; 312, 313, A., 200; 360, A., 206; 470, 471, 472, A., 228; 540, 541, 542, A., 241; 656, A., 1075.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 39, A., 901.

Pet. 28, A., 195; 369, A., 370; 551, A., 472; 593, A., 478; 664, A., 521; 670, A., 522; 709, A., 547; 796, A., 572; res. 21, A., 573; 869, 870, A., 624; 877, A.; 913, 914, A., 653; 1086, A., 734.

BURNHAM, JOHN F.—

Member of committee on Cities, 67; member of committee on Public Health and Sanitation, 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 259, 260, A., 188; 355, A., 205; 397, 398, 399, 400, A., 219; 526, A., 240; 660, A., 1098.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 33, A., 195; 114, A., 280; 192, A.; 229, A., 325; 312, A.; 491, A., 460; 540, 541, A., 466; 642, A., 502; 657, A.; 711, A., 547.

BUTTLES, MARK M.—

Member of committee on Judiciary, 67; member of committee on Public Lands, 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 193, 194, A., 165; 481, A., 230.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 26, A., 525; jt. res. 29, A., 627.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 201, A., 311; 431, A., 378; 480, A., 450; 523, A.; 764, A., 568; 1146, A., 819.

C.**CASHIN, PATRICK H.—**

Member of committee to investigate bribery charges, 637; member of committee on Cities, 67; and on Claims, 68; and to visit Wisconsin Military Reservation, 1140.

Bills introduced by:

No. 14, A., 70; 356, A., 205.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 543, A., 472; 731, A., 558; 1072, A., 712; 1085, A.

CHURCH, LEONARD C.—

Member of committee on Dairy and Food, 67; member of committee on Federal Relations, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 211, A., 171; 230, A., 179; 298, 299, A., 198; 636, A., 737.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 305, A., 350; 612, A., 498; 612, A., 498; 898, A., 652.

CLACK, CHARLES—

Member of committee on Agriculture, 67; member of committee on Engrossed Bills, 67.

Bills introduced by:
No. 121, A., 125.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 173, A., 295; 319, A., 352; 357, A., 388, A.; 397, A.; 409, A.; 428, A.; 445, A.; 474, A., 449; 515, 517, A., 463; 519, 520, A.; 532, A.; 589, A., 478; 637, A., 501; 873, A., 624; 1160, A., 862.

CLARK, GID H.—

Member of committee on railroads, 76.

Bills introduced by:
No. 37, A., 79; No. 153, A., 152; 221, A., 173; 237, 238, 239, A., 179; 517 to 523, A., 239.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 816, A., 596; 883, A., 625.

CLASON, JESSE A.—

Member of committee to confer with Railroad Commissioner, 891; member of committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, 67; chairman of committee on Public Health and Sanitation, 68.

Bills introduced by:
No. 184, A., 164; Nos. 233, 234, 235, 236, A., 179; 292, A., 197; 505, A., 237; 651, A., 1032.

Resolutions introduced by:
Res. 32, A., 952; jt. res. 51, A., 1032.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
320, A., 352; 489, A., 460; 561, A., 474; 750, A., 561; 972, A., 669; 1139, A., 819; 1154, 1155, A., 847; 1166, 1167, A., 889.

CONNORS, MATTHEW J.—

Member of committee on Town and County Organization, 68; and on Fish and Game, 68.

Bills introduced by:
No. 181, A., 163; 182, A., 164; 207, A., 171.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
Pet. 39, A., 210; 127, A., 287; 196, 197, A.; 634, 635, A., 501.

D.

DAVIDSON, JAMES O.—

Member of committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, 67; and chairman of committee on Roads and Bridges, 76.

Bills introduced by:
No. 40, A., 79; Nos. 54, 55, 56, A., 85; No. 129, A., 126; 222, A., 173; 494, A., 231; 618, 619, A., 261.

Resolutions introduced by:
Jt. Res. 50, A., 1017; jt. res. 61, A., 1182.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 504, A., 462; 546, A., 472; 611, A., 498; 896, 897, A., 652.

DRESSER, LESTER B.—

Member of committee on Education, 67; chairman of committee on Fish and Game, joint, 68.

Bills introduced by:
Nos. 79 and 80, A., 93; Nos. 155 and 156, A., 156; 185, 186, A., 164; 232, A., 179; 336, A., 203; 344, A., 204; 480, 230; 512, A., 238.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 44 A., 211; 138, A., 288; 444, A., 398; 576 to 585, A., 476; 613, A., 498; 718, A., 548; 828, A., 597.

E.

EATON, BARNEY A.—

Member of committee on Agriculture, 67; chairman.

Bills introduced by:
No. 27, A., 74; No. 28, A., 74; No. 57, A., 85; No. 140, A., 141, A., and 142, A., 150; 609, 610, A., 250; 630, A., 525; 655, A., 1070.

Resolutions introduced by:
No. 13, A., 111; No. 17, A., 155.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 210, A., 312; 693, A., 524; 716, A., 762, A., 568; 882, A., 625.

EDWARDS, WYNN—

Member of committee Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67; and on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 118, A., 125; No. 135, A., 131; 385, 386, A., 217; 589, A., 247.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 58, A., 212; 69, A., 254; 143, A., 292; 370, A., 370; 462, A., 448; 636, A., 501; 812, A., 595; 826, A., 856, 857, 858, A., 600; 1090, A., 735.

F.**FEIGE, JULIUS—**

Member of committee on Manufactures, 67; member of committee on Military Affairs, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 81, A., 93; No. 122, A., 125.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 109, A., 279; 442, A., 397; 510, A., 463; 767, A., 569; 787, A.

FLAGG, ABNER S.—

Member of committee on Enrolled Bills, 67; member of committee on Military Affairs, 67.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 416, 417, A., 221.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 64, A., 254; 226, A., 325; 251, 252, A., 256, A., 924, 925, A., 664; 988, 989, A., 100.

FLETT, WILLIAM H.—

Member of special committee to consider bill to revise the statutes, 132; and to secure uniform legislation on Fish and Game, 823; member of committee on Cities, 67; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 69, A., 89; No. 133, A., 131; 210, A., 171; 252, A., 181; 274, 275, A., 190; 405, 406, 407, A., 220; 513, 514, 515, 516, A., 238; 614, 615, A., 251.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 48, A., 1017; jt. res. 57, A., 1075; jt. res. 60, A., 1118.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 102, 103, A., 279; 262, A., 329; 623, A., 500; 667, A., 521; 680 A., 523; 700, A., 546; 862, A., 623; 874, A., 1064, A., 711; 1081, A.

FOGO, WILLIAM M.

Member of committee on Ways and Means, 68; chairman of committee on Printing, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 26, A., 73; 191, 192, A., 165; 296, A., 198; 482, 483, A., 230.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 32, A., 748.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 65, A., 254; 87, 88, 89, A., 270; 153, A., 260, 261 A., 329; 317, A., 334, A., 335, 336, 337, A., 371, 372, A., 370; 425, A., 377.

FRINK, CHARLES A.—

Member of committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, 67; member of committee on Public Health and Sanitation, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 19, A., 72; Nos 88, 89 and 90, A., 112; 208, A., 171; 346, 347, 348, A., 204; 650, A., 1023.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 9, A., 84; res. No. 23, A., 627.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 108, A., 279; 215, A., 313; 413, 414, A., 376; 423, A.; 710, A., 547; 1070, A., 712.

FROEHLICH, WILLIAM H.—

Chairman of committee on Dairy and Food, 67.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 213, 214, A., 172; 250, A., 181; 322, A., 201; bills 485, A., 230.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 11, A., 155; 64, A., 254; 100, A., 278; 191, A., 193, A., 310; 258, A., 424, A., 377; 433, A., 460, A.; 482, A., 450; 616, A., 499; 622, A.; 853, A., 600; 908, A., 653.

G.**GAWIN, AUGUST—**

Member of committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, 67; member of committee on Corporations, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 35, A., 79; 616, 617, A., 251.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 18, A., 170.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No 170, A., 295; 281, A., 344; 329, A.; 355, A.; 415 to 422, A., 376; 443, A.

GOODELL, EMILUS S.—

Member of committee on Military Affairs, 67; and on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 38, A., 79; 316, A., 200; 318, A., 201; 569, A., 245; 313, A., 351.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 25, A., 187; 62, A., 213; 917, A., 654; 1087, A., 734; 1123, A., 788; 1168, A., 889.

H.

HALL, A. R.—

Member of committee to further consider new rules, 74; and to investigate report of university, 458; and to confer with railroad commissioner, 891; member of committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67; chairman of committee on Lumber and Mining, 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 110, 111 and 112, A., 115; 243, A., 180; 443, A., 225; 566, 568, A., 245; 653, A., 1058.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. No. 2, A., 77; jt. res. No. 8, A., 155; jt. res. 22, A., 479; res. 22, A., 573; jt. res. 36, A., 833; jt. res. 44, A., 952.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 32, A., 195; 46, A., 211; 389, A., 373; 793, A.

HARVEY, LESLIE C.—

Member of committee to wait upon governor, 47; member of special committee to consider bill to revise the statutes, 132; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 71, A., 90; No. 152, A., 152; 309, 310, 311, A., 200; 446, 447, 448, 449, A., 225; 608, A., 250.

Resolutions introduced by:

Res. 29, A., 777.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 90, A., 270; 255, A., 328; 285 to 291, A., 344; 324, A.; 383, A.; 432, A., 378; 466, A.; 481, A., 450; 490, A.; 533, A., 465; 889, A., 626.

HINDES, LEMUEL P.—

Member of committee on Education, 67; and on Fish and Game, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 124, A., 126; 265, A., 189; 573, A., 245.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 40, A., 923.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 100, A., 278; 179, A.; 239, A., 326; 244, A.; 301, A.; 618 A., 499; 649, 650, A., 503; 676, A.; 923, A., 664; 1033, A., 694; 1126, A., 788; 1210, 1211, A., 1170.

HOGAN, JOHN M.—

Member of committee on Manufactures, 67; member of committee on Privileges and Elections, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 31, A., 78; No. 170, A., 158.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 75, A., 269; 100, A., 278; 174, A.; 472; 872, A., 624.
472; 872, A., 624.

HOYT, EMERSON D.—

Chairman of committee on Railroads, 76.

Res. 27, A., to investigate operation of toll roads, 740.

Bills introduced by:

No. 4, A., 69; No. 5, A., 69; No. 48, A., 80; 285, A., 192; 334, 335, A., A., 203; 595, 596, A., 248; 628, A., 433; 648, A., 1000.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 1, A., 6; No. 5, A., 72; jt. res. No. 1, A., 77; res. 27, A., 713; jt. res. 34, A., 820; jt. res. 43, A., 952; jt. res. 54, A., 1069; jt. res. 62, A., 1205

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 23, A., 187; 60, A., 213; 101, A., 279; 134, 136, A.; 178, A.; 186, 188, A.; 394, A., 373; 587 A., 477; 722, A., 557.

HUGHES, WILLIAM—

Member of committee on Dairy and Food, 67; member of committee on Legislative Expenditures, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 374, A., 216.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 75, A., 269; 104, A., 279; 375, A., 371; 830, A., 597; 968, A., 669; 1046, A., 709.

HURD, FRANK E.—

Member of committee on Public Improvement, 68; and on Railroads, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 10, A., 70; 180, A., 163; 278, A., 191; 314, A., 200; 420, 421, A., 222; 537, A., 241; 639, A., 832.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 10, A., 88.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 144, A., 292; 163, A.; 237, A., 326; 268, A.; 271, A.; 306, A.; 332, A.; 486, A., 460; 521, A., 464; 639, A., 502; 963, A., 668.

HURLBUT, WILLIAM H.—

Member of committee on Education, 67; on Charitable and Penal Institutions, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 147, A., 151; 300, 301, A., 198; 379, A., 216; 659, A., 1098.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 2, A., 7; Jt. Res. 56, A., 1069.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

100, A., 278; 158, A.; 161, A.; 235, A., 326; 308, A.; 691, A., 524; 890, 891, A., 626; 922, A., 664; 947, A.; 965, A., 669; 1018, A., 684; 1137, A., 790; 1159, A., 862.

J.**JENSON, ANDREW—**

Member of committee to confer with railroad commissioner, 891; Member of committee on Lumber and Mining, 68; Chairman of committee on Public Lands, 68.

Bills introduced by:

432, A., 223; 627, A., 379.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 19, A., 314.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

66, A., 254; 469, A., 448; 499, A., 461; 506, A., 462; 529, A., 465; 565, A., 475; 644, 645, 646, 647, A., 502; 677, 678, A.; 683, A.; 760, A., 563; 778, 779, 780, A.; 797, A.; 810, 811, 813, A., 595; 904, A., 653; 1088, 1091, A., 735; 1158, A., 862.

JONES, DAVID F.—

Member of committee to attend funeral of ex-Senator Cameron, 972; member of special committee appointed to consider bill to revise the statutes, 132; to investigate bribery charges, 637; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 3, A., 69; No. 30, A., 78; 371, 372, 373, A., 215; 587, A., 247; 626, A., 252; 634, 635, A., 601.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. No. 5, A., 123.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 21, A., 178; 205, 206, A., 312; 216, A., 322, A., 352; 467, A., 448; 601 to 603, A., 488; 814, A., 595; 1049, A., 710; 1138, 1144, A., 819.

JONES, W. A.—

Member of committee to wait upon speaker, 5; member of committee to further consider new rules, 74; and to investigate state employees, 92; chairman of committee on Finance, Banks and Ins., 67; member of committee on Manufactures, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 11, A., 70; No. 12, A., 70; No. 59, A., 85; No. 82, A., 93; No. 102, A., 114; No. 163, A., 157; 245, A., 180; 357, A., 205; 380, A., 217; 500, 501, A., 232; 622, 623, A., 252; 632, A., 573; 668, A., 1213.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 3, A., 7; No. 6, A., 72; No. 7, A., 77; No. 11, A., 92; Jt. Res. 24, A., 505; Jt. Res. 49, A., 1017.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

83, 85, 86, A., 270; 171, A., 295; 195, 273, A., 343; 426, A., 377; 464, 465, A., 448; 926, A., 664; 946, A.; 986, A., 680; 1063, A., 711.

K.**KLABUNDE, REINHARD—**

Member of committee on Corporations, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 74 and 75, A., 90; No. 84, A., 93; Nos. 166, 167 and 168, A., 157; 189, A., 164; 430, 431, A., 223.

Petitions and memorials introduced by:

57, A., 212; 184, A., 297; 189, A., 190, A.; 211, A., 213; 254, A., 328; 594, A., 572; 832, A., 598; 880, A., 625; 918, 919, A., 654; 1051, 1052, A., 710; 1151, 1152, A., 847.

KRAUSS, CHARLES A. W.—
Member of committee on Public Improvements, 68.

Bills introduced by:
No. 136, A., 131; No. 175, A., 163;
362, 363, 364, 365, A., 214; 574,
A., 245.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 73, A., 255; 172, A., 295; 204,
560, A., 474; 850, A., 599.

L.

LANGE, LOUIS A.—
Member of committee on Railroads, 76;
on Printing, 68.
Member of committee to wait upon
speaker, 5; Member of committee
to wait upon governor, 47; Member
of committee to further consider new
rules, 74.

Bills introduced by:
No. 93, A., 113; 276, A., 191; 350, A.,
204.

Resolutions introduced by:
Jt. Res. 28, A., 573.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
Pet. 24, A., 187; 55, A., 212; 68, A.,
254; 71, A., 74, A., 100, A., 278;
123, A., 133, A.; 242, A., 326; 272,
A.; 387, A., 372; 436, A., 379; 546,
549, A., 472; 599, A., 479; 769, 770, A.,
569; 788, A., 809, A.; 1014, 1015,
A., 683; 1207, A., 1032.

LATTA, GEORGE W.—
Chairman of committee on Engrossed
Bills, 67; member of committee on
Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:
No. 217, A., 173; 556 to 565, A., 243;
567, A.

Resolutions introduced by:
Jt. Res. 25, A., 512; Jt. Res. 58,
A., 1098.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
Memorial 4, A., 213; 64, A., 254; 75, A.,
269; 232, A., 715, A., 548; 1075,
1077, A., 713.

LEGRIED, CHRIST—
Member of committee on Corporations,
67; member of committee on Military
Affairs, 67.

Bills introduced by:
Nos. 98, 99 and 100, A., 113; 204, A.,
171; 352, A., 205; 551 to 555, A.,
243; 642, A., 902.

Resolutions introduced by:
Jt. Res. 46, A., 980.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 4, A., 98; 64, A., 254; 217, A.,
313; 228, A.; 362, A., 357; 453, A.,
399; 456, A.; 457, A.; 461, A.; 496,
497, A., 461; 578, A.; 559, A., 474;
621, A.; 699, A., 546; 789, A.; 906,
A., 653; 929, A., 665; 1208, A., 1075.

LEWIS, WILLIAM T.—
Member of committee to examine re-
port of university, 458; member
of committee on Manufactures,
67; chairman of committee on
Charitable and Penal Institutions, 68.

Bills introduced by:
Nos. 2, A., 69; No. 106, A., 114; No.
125, A., 126; 209, A., 171; 440, A.,
224; 441, 442, A., 225; 504, A., 233;
580, A., 246; 605, 606, 607, A., 249.

Resolutions introduced by:
No. 8, A., 84; res. 26, A., 695.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 6, A., 130; pet. 29, A., 195; 111, A.,
280; 142, A.; 177, A.; 202, A., 312;
318, A.; 333, A.; 478, A., 449; 552,
A., 473; 673, A., 522; 795, A., 572;
851, 861, A.; 892, A., 626; 1118, A.,
780; 1191, 1192, 1193, A., 952; 1208,
A., 1075.

M.

MAERTZ, FRED C.—
Member of committee on Manufactures,
67, and on Charitable and Penal In-
stitutions, 68.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:
No. 567, A., 475; 586, A.; 592, A.;
1063, A., 710; 1062, A.; 1069, A.

MARSH, JOSEPH C.—

Member of committee to investigate lighting of building, 159; chairman of committee on Manufactures, 67; member of committee on Fish and Game, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 149, A., 151; 317, A., 201; 575, A., 246.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. No. 4, A., 112.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 5, A., 130; pet. 22, A., 187; 40, A., 210; 53, A., 212; 187, A., 297; 342, A., 354; 615, A., 499; 843, 844, 845, A., 599; 1156, 1157, A., 847.

M'DONALD, THOMAS, JR.—

Member of committee to investigate Lighting, 159; and to investigate Fire and Life Insurance companies, 433; member of committee on Public Improvement, 69; and on Roads and Bridges, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 34, A., 79; No. 36, A., 79; No. 70, A., 89; 179, A., 163; 251, A., 181; 302, A., 199; 303, A., 199.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 20, A., 197.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 100, A., 278; 140, A., 152, A.; 505, A., 462; 692, A., 524; 859, A., 600; 888, A., 625; 1023, A., 693; 1030, 1036, 1039, A.; 1092, A.; 1184, A., 901.

M'GRATH, THOMAS J.—

Member of committee to visit Downer College, 387; member of committee on Public Health and Sanitation, 68; and on Railroads, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 113, A., 115; 183, A., 164; 409, 410, 411, A., 220; 633, A., 574.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 13, A., 197

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 26, A., 187; 194, A., 311; 220, 221, A.; 279, A.; 359, A., 356; 535, A., 466; 566, A., 475; 771, A., 569; 1050, A., 710; 1084, A.; 765, A., 568; 827, A., 597.

MERRILL, ADDISON W.—

Member of committee on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 15, A., 72; No. 49, A., 81; 319, 320, A., 201.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 12, A., 196.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 380, A., 371; 698, A., 546.

MERRIMAN, CHARLES W.—

Member of joint committee to investigate Fire and Life Insurance Companies, 433; member of committee on Education, 67; member of committee on Public Health and Sanitation, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 286, A., 192; 345, A., 204.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 11, A., 196; jt. res. 3, A., 78.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 106, A., 279; 131, A.; 165, 166, A.; 168, A.; 185, A.; 231, A., 325; 241, A.; 356, A., 356; 441, A., 397; 640, A., 502; 737, A., 559; 739, A.; 871, A., 624; 1016, A., 674; 1025, A., 693; 1027, 1028, 1029, A.

MINCH, OSCAR F.—

Member of committee on Education, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 53, A., 85; 249, A., 181; 545, A., 242.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 20, A., 178; 51, A., 212; 300, A., 350; 330, 331, A.; 502, A., 462; 696, 697, A., 525; 768, A., 569; 987, A., 680; 990, A.; 1080, A., 734; 1082, 1083, 1089, A., 734; 1124, 1125, A.; 1187, A., 923.

MORGAN, JOHN E.—

Member of committee on Legislative Expenditures, 67; member of committee on Claims, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 510, A., 238.

Resolutions introduced by:

Res. 25, A., 655.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 219, A., 313; 295, A.; 468, A., 448; 753, A., 561.

MOSHER, THOMAS H.—

Member of committee on Dairy and Food, 67; and on Roads and Bridges, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 16, A., 72; 215, A., 172; 258, A., 188; 585, 586, A., 247.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. No. 10, A., 187; jt. res. 30, A., 781; jt. res. 55, A., 1069.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 19, A., 170; 608, 609, A., 498; 981, A., 680; 1199 to 1206, A., 1016.

N.

NISS, CHARLES, JR.—

Member of committee on Railroads, 76; and on Roads and Bridges, 76; and to visit Wisconsin Military Reservation, 1140.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 60, 61, 62, A., 88; No. 101, A., 114; No. 119, A., 125; 338, 339, 340, 341, A., 203; 469, A., 228; 550, A., 243; 643, A., 946.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 14, A., 130; 34, A., 979.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 48 A., 211; 125, A., 287; 135, A., 145, A., 207, A., 312; 218, A., 253, A., 328; 422, A., 377; 528, A., 465; 594, A., 478; 752, A., 561; 755, A., 799, 800, A., 804, 805, 807, A., 594, 978, A., 670; 1037, 1038, A., 1113, A., 780.

O.

OLSON, HANS H.—

Member of committee to investigate Fire and Life Insurance Companies, 433; member of committee on Education, 67; member of committee on Enrolled Bills, 67.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 256, 257, A., 188; 511, A., 238.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 18, A., 299.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 75, A., 269; 294, A., 349; 374, A., 371; 438, A., 397; 659, A., 504; 756, A., 561; 921, A., 664; 980, A., 1165, A., 889.

OVERBECK, HENRY, JR.—

Member of committee to investigate Toll Roads, 740; and to secure uniform legislation on Fish and Game, 823; member of committee on Corporations, 67, and on Fish and Game, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 20, A., 73; Nos. 32-33, A., 78; 321, A., 201; 381, 382, A., 217; 638, A., 820.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 47, A., 989.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 110, A., 280; 249, A., 328; 325, A., 625, 626, A., 500; 733, 734, A., 558.

P.

PARKER, MAYNARD T.—

Member of committee to investigate Bribery Charges, 637; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 358, A., 205; 408, A., 220; 588, A., 247.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 26, A., 525; res. 36, A., 1023.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 240, A., 321; 736, A., 559; 1026, A., 693; 1076, A., 713.

PETERSON, PETER N.—

Member of committee on Railroads, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 51, A., 84; 284, A., 191; 353, A., 205; 590, 591, A., 247.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 63, A., 1239; res. 39, A., 1254.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 31, A., 195; 107, A., 279; 393, A., 373; 503, A., 462; 879, A., 625.

PIERCE, S. W.—

Member of committee to attend funeral of ex-Senator Cameron, 972; member of committee to further consider new rules, 74; and to visit Downer college, 387; to investigate Bribery Charges, 637; member of committee on Legislative Expenditures, 67; and on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 58, A., 85; 495, A., 232; 649, A., 1000.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 315, A., 351; 358, A., 500, A., 461; 728, A., 558; 741, A., A., 749, A., 1017, A., 684.

PLUMMER, SAMUEL F.—

Member of committee on Engrossed Bills, 67; member of committee on Public Lands, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 47, A., 80; No. 104, A., 114; No. 148, A., 151; No. 158, A., 156; 262, A., 189.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 67, A., 254; 269, A., 342; 275, A., 382, A., 372; 545, A., 472; 568, A., 475; 614, A., 499; 668, A., 521; 729, A., 558; 745 to 748, A.; 1047, A., 709; 1060, A.; 1067, A.; 1169, 1170, A., 890.

POLACHECK, CHARLES—

Member of committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67; member of committee on Cities, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 178, A., 163; 206, A., 171; 287, 288, 289, A., 192; 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, A., 218; 433, A., 224; 549, A., 242.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 41, A., 924.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 564, A., 475; 695, A., 524; 721, A., 819, 820, 821, A., 596; 833, 835, A.; 1115, 1116, 1119, 1120, A., 780.

POLLEY, HORACE N.—

Member of committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 52, A., 84; 604, A., 249.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 47, A., 211; 75, A., 269; 238, A., 326.

PRATT, GEORGE E.—

Member of committee on Military Affairs, 67; and on Town and County Organization, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 107, A., 114; 354, A., 205; 538, 539, A., 241; 576, A., 246.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 97, A., 278; 132, A.; 530, A., 465; 727, A., 558.

R.**RAY, GEORGE H.—**

Member of committee to attend funeral of ex-Senator Cameron, 972; member of committee to wait upon speaker, 5; member of committee to wait upon governor, 47; member of committee to consider the new rules, 74; member of committee to investigate the condition of the executive mansion, 167; member of committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, 67; chairman of committee on Claims (Joint), 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 199, 200, 201, A., 166; 631, A., 525.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 15, A., 130; 19, A., 197; jt. res. 42, A., 924; jt. res. 45, A., 972.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 64, A., 254; 70, A.; 146, A., 292; 292, A., 349; 493, A., 461; 536, A., 466; 544, A., 472; 717, A., 548; 786, A., 571; 943, A., 666; 950 to 962, A.

REINHOLDT, HENRY O.—

Member of committee on Manufactures, 67; member of committee on Privileges and Elections, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 63, A., 89; 150, A., 151; 473, A., 229; 611 A., 250.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 99, A., 278; 128, A.; 280, A., 344; 508, A., 462; 628, A., 500; 806, A., 594; 1112, A., 780.

REYNOLDS, JOHN F.—

Member of committee on Railroads, 76; and on Ways and Means, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 97, A., 113; 444, 445, A., 225.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 338, 339, 340, 341, A., 354; 364, 365, A.; 378, 379, A.; 384, A.; 899, 900, 901, 902, A., 652; 910, A.; 1024, A., 693; 1185, A., 979; 1197, 1198, A., 1016.

RISUM, OTTO A.—

Member of committee on Federal Relations, 67; member of committee on Lumber and Mining, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 231, A., 179; 361, A., 206; 489, 490, 491, 492, A., 231; 602, A., 249.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 64, A., 254; 91, A., 271; 98, A., 278; 120, A.

ROSENKRANS, OMER L.—

Member of committee to investigate lighting, 159; member of committee on Corporations, 67; chairman of committee on Federal Relations, 67.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 21, 22, A., 73; No. 91, A., 112; No. 92, A., 113; 177, A., 163; 216, A., 172; 240, A., 180; 246, A., 180; 267, 268, A., 189; 305, 306, A., 199; 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, A., 229; 532, 534, 535, 536, A., 240.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 20, A., 314; jt. res. 21, A., 379.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Petitions Nos. 9 and 10 A., 155; pet. 30, A., 195; 147, 148, A., 292; 150, A.; 224, 225, A.; 377, A., 371; 390, 391, A.; 439, A.; 487, 488, A., 460; 620, A., 499; 849, A., 599; 909, A., 653.

RUTHERFORD GILBERT—

Member of committee on Agriculture, 67; member of committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 83, A., 93; No. 164, A., 157; 248, A., 181; 613, A., 251.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 1, A., 92; 130, A., 287; 223, A.; 297, A., 349; 648, A., 503; 682, A., 523; 686, A.; 931 to 934, A., 665; 1096, A., 735.

S.

SCHELLENBERG, HERMAN—

Member of committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67; member of committee on Privileges and Elections, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 151, A., 151.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 35, A., 820.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 52, A., 212; 122, A., 286; 214, A.; 313; 392, A., 373; 399, A.; 539, A., 466; 726, A., 557; 825, A., 597.

SETH, OLE C.—

Member of committee on Legislative Expenditures, 67; member of committee on Public Lands, 68.

SHAFFER, GEORGE P.—

Member of committee on Enrolled Bills, 67; member of committee on Lumber and Mining, 68.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 181, A., 296; 309, A.; 376, A., 371; 381, A.; 662, 663, A., 521; 674, A., 522; 740, A., 559.

SIEKER, WILLIAM F.—

Chairman of committee on Public Improvements, 68; member of committee on Privileges and Elections, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 244, A., 180; 304, A., 199.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 894, A., 627; 907, A., 653.

SMITH, DELBERT K.—

Member of committee on Agriculture, 67; member of committee on Federal Relations, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 24, A., 73; No. 43, A., 80; No. 115, A., 125; No. 169, A., 157; No. 173, A., 158; 437, 438, 439, A., 224.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 30, A., 695.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 8, A., 155; 183, A., 297; 345, A., 355; 694, A., 524; 763, A., 1001, A., 682; 1132, 1133, 1134, A., 789; 1190, A., 951.

SMITH, JONATHAN J.—

Member of committee on Military Affairs, 67; and on Town and County Organization, chairman, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 18, A., 72; No. 108, A., 114; No. 109, A., 115; No. 162, A., 157; 176, A., 163; 307, A., 199; 474, A., 229; 621, A., 252; 661, A., 504.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 28, A., 725.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 42, A., 211; 222, A., 324; 283, A.; 470, A., 449; 495, A.; 511 to 514, A., 463; 651, A., 503; 1048, A., 709.

STANLEY, C. A.—

Chairman of committee on Corporations, 67; and on Ways and Means, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 9, A., 70; 498, A., 232; 603, A., 249.

Resolutions introduced by:

Res. 24, A., 646; jt. res. 37, A., 862.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 12, A., 162; 64, A., 254; 139, A., 288; 141, A.; 151, A.; 169, A.; 299, A., 349; 323, A.; 327, A.; 366, A., 370; 398, A.; 550, A., 472; 630 to 633, A., 500; 672, A.; 766, A., 569; 837, 838, 839, A., 598; 1021, A., 684; 1093, A.

STAPLES, KING G.—

Member of committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67; member of committee on Lumber and Mining, 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 171 and 172, A., 158; 187, 188, A., 164; 426, 427, 428, 429, A., 223.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 34, A., 210; 246, A., 327; 296, A.; 326, A.; 479, A., 450; 685, A., 523; 949, A., 667; 967, A.

STONE, JESSE—

Member of committee to investigate state employes, 92; chairman of committee on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 13, A., 70; No. 23, A., 73; 579, A., 246.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 15, A., 237; res. 37, A., 1043; (journal does not give this); jt. res. 59, A., 1115.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 411, A., 375; 708, A., 547.

SWEETING, CHARLES WM.—

Member of committee on Dairy and Food, 67; member of committee on Federal Relations, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 44, A., 80; No. 165, A., 157; Nos. 241, 242, A., 180; 295, A., 198; 484, A., 230.

SWEETING, CHARLES WM.—Continued.**Petitions and Memorials introduced by:**

Mem. 3, A., 195; 458, 459, A., 400; 542, A., 472; 679, A., 523; 684, A.; 815, A., 595; 996, 997, 998, A., 681; 1183, A., 901.

T.**TAYLOR, GEORGE W.—**

Chairman of committee on Military Affairs, 67; member of committee on Railroads, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 254, A., 181; 277, 279, A., 191; 315, A., 200; 418, 419, A., 222; 592, 593, 594, A., 248; 645, A., 980.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. No. 6, A., 124.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

54, A., 212; 115, A., 286; 159, 160, A., 213, A., 313; 363, A., 357; 485, A., 460; 531, A., 465; 751, A., 561; 863 to 868, A., 623; 903, A., 652; 1094, 1095, A., 735; 1142, 1143, A., 819.

THOMAS, JOHN W.—

Member of committee on Dairy and Food, 67; on Railroads, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 25, A., 73; 114, A., 124; 132, A., 131; 134, A., 131; 197, A., 165; 198, A., 166; 281, 282, 283, A., 191; 331, 332, A., 202; 455, A., 226; 571, A., 245; 654, A., 1069.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18, 163; 35, 36, 37, 38, A., 210; 92, A., 271; 316, A., 351; 328, A.; 385, A.; 562, A., 474; 571 to 575, A., 475; 791, A., 571; 801, A.; 1078, A., 713; 1121, 1136, A.

THOMPSON, HENRY M.—

Member of committee on Claims, 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 342, 343, A., 203.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

274, A., 343; 284, A.; 396, A., 373; 1013 A., 683; 1128 to 1131, A., 788; 1153, A., 847; 1180, 1181, 1182, A., 901.

TREAT, NATHANIEL B.—

Member of committee on Assessment and Collection of Taxes, 67; chairman; member of committee on Finance, Banks and Insurance, 67.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 456, 457, A., 227; 499, A., 232.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

212, A., 313; 264, A.; 270, A.; 429, A., 378; 707, A., 547; 723, A.; 781, 782, A., 570; 915, A., 654; 927, A.; 1022, A., 693.

TRUE, JOHN M.—

Member of committee to investigate bribery charges, 637; member of committee on Agriculture, 67; member of committee on Dairy and Food, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 45, A., 80; 96, A., 113; 146, A., 150; 375, 376, 377, 378, A., 216; 577, 578, A., 246.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 16, A., 130.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 100, A., 278; 175, A.; 199, A., 311; 304, A., 350; 437, A., 397; 484, A., 460; 665, 666, A., 521; 735, A., 559; 855, A., 600; 945, A.; 1061, A., 711; 1164, A., 889.

TUCKER, FRANK T.—

Member of committee on Education, chairman, 67; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 17, A., 72; No. 103, A., 114; No. 116, A., 125; No. 131, A., 131; No. 145, A., 150; No. 174, A., 158; 202, A., 166; 269, A., 190; 351, A., 205; 450 to 454, 226.

Resolutions introduced by:

No. 12, A., 92.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 50, A., 211; 61, A., 213; 198, 200, A., 311; 412, A., 375; 643, A., 502; 656, A., 504; 738, A.; 742, A., 560; 761, A.; 802, 803, A.; 860, A.; 920, A., 654; 1031, A., 694.

U.

UTT, ADELBERT L.—

Chairman of committee on Legislative Expenditures, 67; member of committee on Privileges and Elections, 68.

UTT, ADELBERT L.—Continued.

Bills introduced by:

No. 72, A., 90; No. 123, A., 126; 255, A., 181; 525, A., 239.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. 27, A., 195; 471, A., 449; 494, A.; 824, A., 597; 912, A., 653.

W.

WEBSTER, SAMUEL R.—

Member of committee to visit Downer College, 387; member of committee on Agriculture, 67; and on Ways and Means, 68.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 293, 294, A., 198; 367, 368, 369, 370, A., 215; 506, A., 237; 507, A.; 641, A., 832.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 137, A., 288; 155, 156, A.; 180, A.; 209, A., 312; 247, 248, A.; 321, A., 352; 349 to 354, A.; 401 to 408, A., 374; 446 to 452, A.; 629, A., 500; 660, A., 504; 743, 744, A.; 757, 758, A., 561; 772 to 777, A.; 840, 841, 842, A., 598; 847, A.; 885, 886, 887, A., 625; 893, A.; 911, A., 653; 969, 970, 971, A., 669; 992, A.; 1079, A., 713; 1162, A., 889.

WELCH, CHARLES H.—

Member of committee to investigate condition of executive mansion, 167; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 120, A., 125; 263, 264, A., 189; 308, A., 199; 401, 402, 403, 404, A., 219.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 14, A., 213.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Mem. 2, A., 188; 266, 267, A., 342; 276, A.; 302, 303, A., 350; 427, A., 378; 732, A., 558; 817, 818, A., 596; 1114, A., 780.

WHEELER, WILLIAM G.—

Chairman of committee on Ways and Means, 68; member of committee to investigate state employes, 92; member of special committee to consider bill to revise the statutes, 132; member of committee on Judiciary, 67.

Bills introduced by:

No. 154, A., 152; 324, 325, A., 201; 389, 390, 391, A., 218; 581 to 584, A., 246; 625, A., 252; 665, A., 1137.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 31, A., 695; No. 31, A., 820; jt. res. 38, A., 863.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 162, A., 294; 176, A., 296; 234, A., 368, A., 370; 606, A., 498; 930, A., 665; 935 to 942, A., 665; 1034, 1035, A., 694; 1141, A., 819.

WHITE, JARVIS—

Member of committee on Military Affairs, 67; and on Claims, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 203, A., 170; 228, 229, A., 178; 327, 328, 329, 330, A., 202.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 157, A., 293; 498, A., 461; 538, A., 466; 553, A., 473; 591, A., 478; 617, A., 499; 619, A., 624, A., 658, A., 504; 713, A., 547; 783, 784, A., 790, A., 792, A.

WIPPERMAN, HERMAN C.—

Member of committee on Judiciary, 67; chairman of committee on Privileges and Elections, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 253, A., 181; 422, 423, 424, 425, A., 222; 543, 544, A., 242; 624, A., 252; 644, A., 953.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 53, A., 1043.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Nos. 2 and 3, A., 98; 236, A., 326; 243, A., 259, A.; 569, 570, A., 474; 598, A.; 638, A., 501; 703 A.; 822, 823, A., 596; 875, 876, A.

WOLFF, GEORGE W.—

Member of committee on Charitable and Penal Institutions, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 190, A., 165; 290, 291, A., 197; 366, A., 215.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Pet. No. 7, A., 155; 208, A., 312; 361, A., 357; 730, A., 558; 916, A., 654; 1127, A., 788.

WOLFINGER JOSEPH—

Member of committee on Engrossed Bills, 67; and on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

Nos. 496, 497, A., 232; 640, A., 832.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 121, A., 286; 298, A., 349; 829, A., 597; 1065, A., 711; 1068, 1071, 1074, A., 712; 1145, A., 819.

WOLLER, ALBERT—

Member of committee on Corporations, 67; and on Printing, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 73, A., 90; No. 78, A., 93; No. 117, A., 125; 205, A., 171; 349, A., 204; 434, 435, 436, A., 224.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. No. 7, A., 124.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 49, A., 211; 56, A., 212; 64, A., 254; 307, A., 350; 360, A., 483, A., 460; 509, A.; 641, A., 502; 706, A.

WOLTER, BERNARD C.—

Member of committee to investigate condition of executive mansion, 167; chairman of committee on Bills on Their Third Reading, 67; and on State Affairs, 76.

Bills introduced by:

No. 247, A., 181; 509, A., 237; 261, A., 189.

Resolutions introduced by:

Jt. Res. 33, A., 781.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

Nos. 13, 14, A., 162; 105, A., 279; 129, A., 149, A.; 154, A.; 164, A.; 227, A.; 250, A., 328; 293, A.; 473, A., 449; 516, A.; 527, A.; 798, A., 572; 846, A., 599; 1032, A., 694; 1163, A., 889.

WYLIE, GEORGE—

Member of committee to investigate toll roads, 740; member of committee on Agriculture, 67; member of committee on Public Improvements, 68.

Bills introduced by:

No. 10, A., 84; No. 130, A., 130; 297, A., 198; 383, 384, A., 217; 508, A., 237.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 64, A., 254; 100, A., 278; 113, A., 280; 182, A.; 230, A., 325; 257, A.; 311, A., 351; 472, A., 449; 525, A.; 526, A.; 556, 557, 558, A., 473; 596, 597, A.; 652, 653, 654, A., 503; 688, 689, 690, A.; 705, A.; 754, A.; 785, A., 571; 884, A., 625; 944, A., 666; 991, A., 681; 1185, 1186, A., 923.

Y.**YORKEY, JOHN H.—**

Member of committee on Enrolled Bills,
67; member of committee on Finance,
Banks and Insurance, 67.

YORKEY, JOHN H.—Continued.**Bills introduced by:**

No. 46, A., 80; 64 to 67, A., 89; 68, A.,
486, A., 230; 493, A., 231.

Petitions and Memorials introduced by:

No. 203, A., 312; 277, A.; 314, A., 351;
507, A., 462; 554, 555, A., 473; 604,
605, A., 488; 702, A., 546; 834, 836,
A., 598.

ERRATA.

Bill No. 567 A., page 245, in title of bill should be "court" instead of "clerk."

Page 204, number of bill should be "347, A." instead of "374, A."

Bill No. 113, S., on page 591, recites that the vote by which "No. 13, S." was concurred in be reconsidered, should be "113, S."

Jt. Res. No. 15, A., page 237, reads "article 3," should be "article 4."

Bill No. 150, S., on page 368, "50, S." was referred to committee, but it ought to read "150, S."

Bill No. 325, S., on page 705, "225, S." referred to committee, should be "325, S."

Jt. Res. No. 51, S., on page 941, reads "51, A.," should be "51, S."

Page 781, should be "Res. No. 30, A." and not "Jt. Res. 30, A."

On page 1043 the journal does not give the name of the member who introduced Res. No. 37, A., but think it was Mr. Stone.

Bill No. 529, A., on page 320, according to the journal it was ordered engrossed, but this is an error, it should have been "592, A."

Bill No. 592, A., on page 320, 529, A., was ordered engrossed and read a third time, should have been "592, A."

Jt. Res. No. 16, S., on page 346, in senate message reads "Jt. Res. 6, S.," should be "16, S."

Bills Nos. 66 and 67, S., on page 975 no amendments are set out in the senate message.

Jt. Res. No. 57, A., on page 1100 recites "57, S.," should be "57, A."

Bills Nos. 21, A., 22, A., 43, A. and 327, A., according to the journal on page 758 were concurred in, whereas it should recite non-concurred in.

APPENDIX.

IN ASSEMBLY.

Journal of Proceedings

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18th, 1896.

12 O'CLOCK M.

The assembly was called to order by W. A. Nowell, chief clerk of the late session.

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION.

The chief clerk read the following proclamation convening the legislature in extraordinary session:

A PROCLAMATION

CONVENING THE LEGISLATURE IN SPECIAL SESSION.

In pursuance of the authority in me vested by the constitution, I, William H. Upham, governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby convene the legislature of said state in special session at Madison, on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of February, A. D. 1896, at 12 o'clock M., to apportion the state into senatorial and assembly districts on the basis of the new state census recently completed as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state of Wisconsin to be affixed.

L. S. Done at the city of Madison, this fourteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

W. H. UPHAM,
Governor.

By the Governor:
HENRY CASSON,
Secretary of State.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Department of State,
MADISON, WIS., February 18th, 1896.

W. A. NOWELL,

Chief Clerk of the Assembly:

SIR:—I have the honor to transmit herewith a list of the members of the assembly of the state of Wisconsin, as appears from the certificates of the county clerks of the several counties comprising the assembly districts named in said list.

HENRY CASSON,
Secretary of State.

Adams and Marquette—Sophromies S. Landt.

Ashland and Iron—Henry L. Besse.

Barron—Jonathan J. Smith.

Bayfield, Burnett, Sawyer and Washburn—William O'Neil.

Brown—

1st District—Henry F. Hagemeister.

2nd District—Timothy Burke.

Buffalo and Pepin—Allen H. DeGroff.

Calumet—Joseph Wolfinger.

Chippewa—

1st District—Charles Augustus Stanley.

2nd District—John W. Thomas.

Clark—Joseph C. Marsh.

Columbia—

1st District—Charles Mohr.

2nd District—Joseph Sanderson.

Crawford—James O. Davidson.

Dane—

1st District—George B. Burrows.

2d District—Hiland John Spaulding.

3d District—Ole C. Lee.

4th District—Henry F. Wilke.

Dodge—

1st District—Herman Rosenkranz.

2d District—Henry S. Gilmore.

3d District—William Jeché.

Door—James Hanson.

Douglas—H. C. Sloan.

Dunn—Albert R. Hall.

Eau Claire—

1st District—Marshall Cousins.

2d District—Charles F. Hanke.

Florence, Forest and Langlade—Geo. W. Latta.

Fond du Lac—

1st District—Frank L. Bacon.

2d District—Louis A. Lange.

3d District—Peter McGalloway.

Grant—

1st District—Adelbert L. Utt.

2d District—Joshua B. Bradbury.

Green—Nathaniel B. Treat.**Green Lake—Frank E. Clark.****Iowa—William A. Jones.****Jackson—Jerome B. Miller.****Jefferson—**

1st District—John G. Conway.

2d District—Henry C. Christians.

Juneau—Frank E. Hurd.**Kenesha—John F. Reynolds.****Kewaunee—Jacob Rodrian.****La Crosse—**

1st District—George H. Ray,

2nd District—Lemuel B. Cox.

Lafayette—H. C. Martin.**Lincoln—David Finn.****Manitowoc—**

1st District—Fred C. Maertz.

2nd District—William Croll.

Marathon—

1st District—Robert Plisch.

2nd District—George Werhein.

Marinette—George W. Taylor.**Milwaukee—**

1st District—H. S. Dodge.

2d District—George R. Mahoney.

3d District—G. J. Jeske.

4th District—Frank A. Anson.

5th District—Albert Woller.

6th District—Reinhart Klabunde.

7th District—Edward C. Notbohm.

8th District—E. R. Stillman.

9th District—Charles A. Winter.

10th District—Theodore Prochnow.

11th District—Christ Paulus.

12th District—Andrew Boncel.

13th District—B. A. Eaton.

14th District—E. D. Hoyt.

Monroe—Thomas L. Martin.**Oconto—Andrew C. Frost.****Oneida, Price, Taylor and Vilas — Cyrus C. Yawkey.****Outagamie —**

1st District—Hubert Wolf.

2nd District—John Uecke.

Ozaukee — Herman Schellenberg.

Pierce — Freeman H. Lord.

Polk — Henry P. Burdick.

Portage — Herman H. Hoffman.

Racine —

1st District — Charles M. Hambright.

2nd District — George H. Blake.

Richland — J. G. Lamberson.

Rock —

1st district — Edward F. Hansen.

2d district — Samuel S. Jones.

3d district — Fenner Kimball.

St. Croix — Orrin J. Williams.

Sauk —

1st district — Charles Hirschinger.

2d district — Henry Sorge.

Shawano — Christian Bonnin.

Sheboygan —

1st District — Christian Ackerman

2nd District — William F. Sieker.

3rd District — George W. Wolff.

Trempealeau — Eugene F. Clark.

Vernon — Daniel O. Mahoney.

Walworth —

1st District — Frank L. Fraser.

2nd District — Thomas H. Grier.

Washington — William H. Froelich.

Waukesha —

1st District — Delbert K. Smith.

2nd District — Caleb C. Harris.

Waupaca —

1st District — Roger S. Johnson.

2nd District — Philip A. Ham.

Waushara — James T. Ellarson.

Winnebago —

1st District — August Thalacker.

2nd District — Silas Bullard.

3rd District — George A. Buckstaff.

Wood — Herman Wippermann.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE—SS.

I, Henry Casson, secretary of state of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct list of the members of the assembly of the state of Wisconsin, elected at the general election held on the sixth day of November, A. D. 1894, except that H. C. Martin was elected to succeed James Freeman, deceased, as member from Lafayette county, at a special election, held on the eleventh day of February, A. D. 1896, as appears from the certificate of the county

clerks of the several counties named in the foregoing list on file in this department.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my official seal, at the capitol, in the city of
[Seal.] Madison, this 18th day of February, A. D. 1896.

HENRY CASSON,
Secretary of State.

H. C. Martin, member elect from Lafayette county, subscribed to the oath of office, which was administered by Chief Justice John B. Cassoday, of the supreme court of Wisconsin.

Upon calling the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Besse, Boncel, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Burrows, Christians, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Conway, Cousins, Cox, Croll, Davidson, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Finn, Fraser, Frost, Gilmore, Grier, Hagemeister, Hall, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeché, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lambertson, Landt, Lange, Latta, Lee, Lord, Maertz, Mahoney D. O., Mahoney G. R., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., McGalloway, Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Plisch, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Sanderson, Schellenberg, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sorge, Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Taylor, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Winter, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Wolf H., Woller and Yawkey—93.

Absent—Messrs. Bonnin, Blake, Ellarson, Froehlich, Hambricht, Uecke and Wolfinger—7.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The assembly proceeded to the election of a speaker.

Mr. Mohr placed in nomination the Hon. Geo. B. Burrows.

Mr. Hagemeister nominated Hon. L. A. Lange.

On calling the roll the following gentlemen voted for M. Burrows:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Besse, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Fraser, Frost, Grier,

Hall, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones, S. S., Jones, W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Landt, Lange, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Taylor, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Winter, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Woller and Yawkey—75.

The following gentlemen voted for Mr. Lange:

Messrs. Boncel, Christians, Conway, Croll, Finn, Gilmore, Hagemeister, Jeche, Maertz, Mahoney G. R., McGalloway, Plisch, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Schellenberg, Sorge and Wolf H.—17.

Absent or not voting:

Messrs. Bonnin, Blake, Ellarson, Froehlich, Hambright, Uecke and Wolfinger—7.

Mr. Burrows voted for W. A. Jones.

Mr. Burrows having received a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared duly elected speaker.

The chief clerk appointed Messrs. W. A. Jones, Lange and Williams a committee to conduct the speaker-elect to the chair.

On assuming the chair, the speaker briefly returned thanks for the honor conferred.

Speaker Burrows made the following remarks:

Gentlemen of the Assembly:—To be selected by my brother members of last session to again preside over their deliberations is a high honor, for which I am profoundly grateful.

I thank you, Gentlemen, for this expression of your continued confidence and favor, and I pledge you now as I did last winter on assuming the office of speaker, that my constant aim and endeavor will be to discharge the duties to the best of my ability and with strict impartiality. By so doing I hope to gain your approbation and if I should commit any errors in my decisions, they will be errors of the head and not of the heart.

His excellency, the governor, has deemed it necessary to convoke the legislature at this time for the purpose of apportioning the state into assembly and senate districts on the basis of the new state census of 1895.

It has been truly remarked, that the matter of making an apportionment is one of the most important duties with which the legislature under the constitution stands charged.

I feel confident that it is the purpose and aim of the members of this body to give their undivided consideration and best judgment to the making of an equitable, honorable and above all a strictly constitutional apportionment. I am reminded by his vacant chair and by the sable emblems of mourning with which his desk is draped, that since the adjournment of the last session of the legislature Death has taken away Hon. James W. Freeman, who would have aided us at this session with his counsel and experience, had he not been so unexpectedly removed.

In his untimely death the legislature has lost an influential and useful member, the state an upright citizen, his district a valuable representative, the community a kind-hearted, sympathetic friend, his family an affectionate husband and father. His legislative colleagues loved and respected him for his many sterling qualities and faithful devotion to his numerous friends, and it will be meet for this assembly at an early day to give further expression of their respect for his memory.

I will not detain you, gentlemen, with further remarks on this occasion. Again let me say. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for this renewed and very flattering compliment bestowed on me as evinced in designating me to preside over your councils.

Mr. Dodge placed in nomination for chief clerk W. A. Nowell.

Mr. G. R. Mahoney nominated E. A. Edmonds.

On roll call the following gentlemen voted for W. A. Nowell:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Besse, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGroff, Dodge, Eaton, Fraser, Frost, Grier, Hall, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffman, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Landt, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Taylor, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Winter, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

The following gentlemen voted for E. A. Edmonds:

Messrs. Boncel, Christians, Conway, Croll, Finn, Gilmore, Hagemeister, Jeché, Lange, Maertz, Mahoney G. R., McGalloway, Plisch, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Schellenberg, Sorge and Wolf H.—18.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Blake, Ellarson, Froelich, Hambright, Uecker and Wolfinger—7.

W. A. Nowell having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected chief clerk.

The speaker administered the oath of office to the chief clerk elect.

Mr. Boncel placed in nomination for sergant-at-arms, William Mahoney.

Mr. Davidson nominated J. B. Johnson.

On roll call the following gentlemen voted for J. B. Johnson:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Besse, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGroff, Dodge, Eaton, Fraser, Frost, Grier, Hall, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Landt, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Taylor, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Winter, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

The following gentlemen voted for William Mahoney:

Messrs. Boncel, Christians, Conway, Croll, Finn, Gilmore, Hagemeister, Jeché, Lange, Maertz, Mahoney G. R., McGalloway, Plisch, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Schellenberg, Sorge and Wolf, H.—18.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Blake, Ellarson, Froehlich, Hambright, Uecke and Wolfinger—7.

Mr. Johnson having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected sergant-at-arms.

The speaker administered the oath of office to the sergant-at-arms elect.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Buckstaff:

Res. No. 1, A.,

Resolved, That the rules governing the last assembly be adopted as the rules of this assembly.

Adopted.

By Mr. E. F. Hansen:

Res. No. 2 A.,

Resolved, That the resident clergy of the city of Madison be invited to open the morning sessions of the assembly with prayer.

Adopted.

By Mr. J. O. Davidson:

Res. No. 3, A.,

Resolved, That the drawing of seats be dispensed with, and that each member occupy the same seat as at the last regular session.

Adopted.

By Mr. Burdick:

Res. No. 4, A.,

Resolved, That the services of all officers other than the speaker, and all employes of the assembly be dispensed with at this session of the legislature except the following: Chief clerk and one assistant, sergeant-at-arms and one assistant who shall act as postmaster, and three messengers.

Adopted.

By Mr. Anson:

Res. No. 5, A.,

Resolved, That the chief clerk be instructed to notify the senate that the assembly is organized by the election of Geo. B. Burrows as speaker, W. A. Nowell as chief clerk, and J. B. Johnson as sergeant-at-arms, and is ready to proceed to business.

Adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has organized by the election of T. D. Weeks, president pro tem.; Walter L. Houser, chief clerk, and Chas. Pettibone, sergeant-at-arms, and is now ready to proceed to business.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in:

Jt. Res. No. 1, S.,

Adopting joint rules,

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

That a joint committee of two from the senate and three from the assembly be appointed to wait upon the governor and

inform him that both houses are organized and prepared to receive any communications he may be pleased to make.

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Relating to a joint select committee on Apportionment.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. Nos. 1, 2 and 3, S.,
Were severally concurred in.

The speaker appointed as a committee on the part of the assembly, under

Jt. Res. No. 2, S.,

Messrs. Hall, Lee and Croll.

And as a committee on the part of the assembly, under

Jt. Res. No. 3, S.,

Messrs. Lamberson, Anson, Treat, Yawkey, Schellenberg, Rosencranz, Burdick, Ray, O'Neil, Stillman, Taylor, Hurd and Plisch.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to

Messrs. Bonnin and Froehlich indefinitely.

Mr. Hall reported on the part of the committee appointed to wait on the governor that his excellency would submit a communication to the legislature.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Office,

MADISON, February 18, 1896.

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

You have been called to meet in special session for the purpose of apportioning the state into senate and assembly districts on the basis of the state census taken for that purpose in 1895.

Your honorable body in its regular session of last year adopted a resolution, known as joint resolution No. 10, providing for the appointment of a committee, made up of members of both houses and from both political parties, to prepare within sixty days from the date of the promulgation of the new census, a bill "apportioning, and districting anew the members of the senate and assembly . . . and deposit the same with the governor."

This resolution made it the duty of the governor to submit to the next session of the legislature, "whether the same be a regular or an extraordinary session," the work of your committee; and in compliance with these directions I hereby submit the bill prepared, together with the majority and minority reports, as deposited with me.

In carrying out the directions of your honorable body, I deem it not improper to call your attention to the great importance of the work which now devolves upon you: No duty which a legislative body is called upon to perform should be freer from a taint of partisanship than that of re-districting the state into senate and assembly districts; nor should personal ambition or desire be allowed to vary your work from the line of strict fairness and constitutional requirements.

The state constitution clearly defines the true principle of apportionment, and if any doubt existed at any time as to the proper construction of its provisions, its interpretation by our supreme court is clear enough to remove that doubt. No measure which does not comply strictly with the constitutional requirements should be allowed to become a law.

This special session should be as brief as is consistent with an earnest and intelligent consideration of the measures which shall come before you.

W. H. UPHAM,
Governor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

To the Honorable the Senate and Assembly:

The undersigned, a majority of the joint committee of the senate and assembly, appointed pursuant to joint resolution No. 10, approved April 19, 1895, "relating to apportionment," beg leave respectfully to report:

The joint committee was charged by said resolution "with the duty of preparing, so soon as the next enumeration of the inhabitants of the state shall have been taken and the result thereof duly promulgated, a bill apportioning and districting anew the members of the senate and assembly, according to the number of inhabitants as shown by said enumeration, excluding Indians not taxed, and soldiers and officers of the United States army and navy."

The result of the census was promulgated on the 15th day of October, 1895, showing the population of the state to be 1,937,915. On the 1st day of November, 1895, the joint committee organized by the election of Senator L. W. Thayer, chairman, and the election of A. J. Turner as clerk of the committee. The committee as soon as organized entered upon the discharge of the duty imposed upon them by the joint resolution, have given the subject their careful consideration and attention, and have prepared a bill entitled "A bill to apportion the state into senate and assembly districts," and do with this report deposit the same with the governor, within sixty days after the enumeration was completed, and the result thereof promulgated, for submission by the governor to the next session of the legislature.

The undersigned have given great labor to the preparation of this bill, and have kept constantly in mind the command of the legislature, contained in said joint resolution, "to strictly comply with the requirements of article 4 of the constitution, as construed by the supreme court, to the end that the senate and assembly districts shall be so formed as to be as nearly equal as practicable in population, compact in form, and of convenient, contiguous territory."

We have found it, notwithstanding our utmost efforts, impossible to apportion and district anew the state into senate and assembly districts in a manner to produce exact equality in population. Observing the wise restrictions contained in the constitution, that in the formation of assembly districts neither county, town, precinct or ward lines shall be broken, and that in the formation of senate districts no assembly district shall be divided, we believe it to be impossible to do more than to secure approximate equality. There must of necessity be inequalities in performing the duty under the constitutional restrictions. We have studiously endeavored, however, to so deal with the subject as to make a fair distribution or apportionment of members and senators among the people, to minimize

the inequalities between the districts and to bring about upon the whole as nearly as practicable proportionate representation of all the people in both the senate and assembly. We have worked out many different plans, and the one which is embodied in the bill herewith submitted is the result of our best effort and thought. That it will be found free from criticism we cannot expect. That it shall meet the wishes of each locality we do not anticipate. It is our judgment that no bill can possibly be prepared that will do so. We hope, however, that when carefully examined it will be found as a whole to be satisfactory.

While the legislature undoubtedly possesses the power under the constitution to transcend county lines in the formation of senate districts, we have as a matter of public policy, endeavored to obviate that necessity, and it will be seen that in no instance has a county line been broken in forming a senate district.

It would be a great, and we think unnecessary, labor to state in detail the processes which have resulted in the formation of the bill. The map accompanying it will show at a glance the boundaries of senate and assembly districts and the population of each. If it is practicable to apportion members and senators and form assembly and senate districts upon a fairer or more equal basis, we have been unable, after many efforts, to discover it. We submit the bill as the result of our best effort and judgment.

The undersigned regret to say that in the preparation of this bill they have not had the benefit either in the way of suggestion, discussion or co-operation in any form of the members of the committee representing the minority party thereon. In this they have been disappointed.

The undersigned acknowledge with pleasure the assistance which has been afforded them in the preparation of this bill by Hon. A. J. Turner, who reluctantly accepted the position of clerk of the committee, upon our urgent solicitation, because of his knowledge of and interest in the subject. Several plans of apportionment have been prepared and submitted by him, which after careful study and amendment by the undersigned members of the committee, who have given attention to the subject, have resulted in the bill deposited, being the bill which accompanies this report.

The subject has had at each meeting of the committee and in the intervals between said meetings the careful attention of each of the undersigned. We submit our work with absolute confidence that whatever may be said of it, it will be found to be absolutely free from the vicious element of "gerrymander."

The undersigned respectfully recommend the passage of the bill.

L. W. THAYER,
JAY G. LAMBERSON,
N. B. TREAT,
FRANK A. ANSON,
C. C. YAWKEY.

MINORITY REPORT.

To the Honorable Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

The undersigned members of the committee appointed to prepare a bill redistricting the state into senate and assembly districts, pursuant to joint resolution No. 10, passed by the legislature of this state at its regular session held this year, refuse to concur in, and object to the bill prepared by the majority of said committee redistricting the state into senate and assembly districts for the following reasons:

First—In the few cases in which said bill makes no change in the present districts it is unnecessary.

Second—Said bill violates the constitutional mandate that assembly districts shall “consist of contiguous territory, and be in as compact form as practicable,” and further violates the constitutional mandate that senate districts shall be made up of “convenient contiguous territory.”

Third—The said bill, in so far as it changes the present senate and assembly districts of the state, utterly ignores the rights of the people, was dictated by partisanship, executed in the interests of partisanship, and of partisanship only, and proposes a gerrymander in the worst sense of that term.

Fourth—There can be no regular session of the present legislature hereafter; no extra session of the legislature can be convened to pass said bill unless there be something in the present apportionment of the state into senate and assembly districts that would be construed to be an extraordinary occasion, within the meaning of the constitution. It is confidently submitted that there is nothing in the present districting of the state that could be so construed, and nothing that authorizes the governor to call an extra session of the legislature. The only excuse set forth by those of the party in power who advocate the calling of an extra session for the purpose of redistricting the state into senate and assembly districts, is that the present apportionment gives too much power to the minority party. At the election of 1894, the last state election, the democratic and republican parties together cast 338,400 votes for governor; of these, 142,250, more than one-third of the whole, were cast by the democratic party, and 196,150, or less than two-thirds of the whole, were cast by the republican party. According to the votes cast the democratic party would be entitled to more than 44 of the 133 members of the legislature, while the republican party would be entitled to not more than 88 members. In the present legislature the democrats have but 32 members, or less than one-fourth of the whole number, while the republican party has 101 members, or more than three-fourths of the whole number. To claim that this presents an extraordinary occasion would certainly be ridiculous.

Fifth—The present apportionment of the state into senate and assembly districts was made just after the most bitter con-

tests on apportionment this state has ever experienced. And yet it has been acquiesced in by all parties. It is therefore a fair presumption that it is a legal and constitutional apportionment. The minority of the committee were utterly powerless to render the bill other than it is.

Dated at Madison, Wis., this 13th day of December, A. D. 1895.

WILLIAM KENNEDY,
JOHN G. CONWAY,
H. SCHELLENBERG.

BILL SUBMITTED WITH MAJORITY REPORT.

A bill to apportion the state of Wisconsin into assembly and senate districts.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS.

Section 1. Until there shall be a new apportionment, the assembly districts of this state shall be constituted as follows:

- The county of Barron shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Calumet shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Clark shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Crawford shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Door shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Dunn shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Green shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Green Lake shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Iowa shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Jackson shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Juneau shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Kenosha shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Kewaunee shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Lafayette shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Marinette shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Monroe shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Oconto shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Ozaukee shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Pierce shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Richland shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of St. Croix shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Shawano shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Trempealeau shall constitute an assembly district.
- The county of Vernon shall constitute an assembly district.

The county of Washington shall constitute an assembly district.

The county of Waushara shall constitute an assembly district.

The county of Wood shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Adams and Marquette shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Ashland and Iron shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Bayfield, Sawyer and Washburn shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Buffalo and Pepin shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Burnett and Polk shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Forest, Florence and Langlade shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Lincoln and Taylor shall constitute an assembly district.

The counties of Oneida, Price and Vilas shall constitute an assembly district.

Brown County: 1. The towns of Ashwaubenon, Howard, Pittsfield, Suamico and the city of Green Bay shall constitute the first assembly district of Brown county. 2. The towns of Al-louez, Bellevue, DePere, Eaton, Glenmore, Green Bay, Holland, Humboldt, Lawrence, Morrison, New Denmark, Preble, Rockland, Scott, and Wrightstown, and the city of DePere shall constitute the second assembly district of Brown county.

Chippewa County: 1. The towns of Lafayette, Eagle Point, Tilden and Wheaton and the city of Chippewa Falls shall constitute the first assembly district of Chippewa county. 2. The towns of Anson, Arthur, Auburn, Big Bend, Bloomer, Cleveland, Colburn, Edson, Flambeau, Lawrence and Sigel and the villages of Bloomer, Boyd, Cadott and Stanley shall constitute the second assembly district of Chippewa county.

Columbia County: 1. The towns of Arlington, Caledonia, Dekorra, Fort Winnebago, Lewiston, Lodi, Newport, Pacific and West Point and the village of Poynette and the city of Portage shall constitute the first assembly district of Columbia county. 2. The towns of Columbus, Courtland, Fountain Prairie, Hampden, Leeds, Lowville, Marcellon, Otsego, Randolph, Scott, Springvale and Wyocena and the villages of Par-deeville, Rio and the West ward of the village of Randolph, and the city of Columbus shall constitute the second assembly district of Columbia county.

Dane County: 1. The towns of Blooming Grove, Burke, Dunn, Madison, Rutland and the city of Madison shall constitute the first assembly district of Dane county. 2. The towns of Albion, Bristol, Christiana, Cottage Grove, Deerfield, Dunkirk, Medina, Pleasant Springs, Sun Prairie, Vienna, Windsor, York, and the villages of Deerfield and Sun Prairie and the city of

Stoughton shall constitute the second assembly district of Dane county. 3. The towns of Berry, Black Earth, Blue Mounds, Cross Plains, Dane, Fitchburg, Mazomanie, Middleton, Montrose, Oregon, Perry, Primrose, Roxbury, Springdale, Springfield, Vermont, Verona, Westport, and the villages of Belleville and Waunakee, shall constitute the third assembly district of Dane county.

Dodge County: 1. The towns of Ashippun, Clyman, Elba, Emmett, Herman, Hubbard, Hustisford, Lebanon, Lowell, Oak Grove, Portland, Rubicon and Shields, and the villages of Horicon, Lowell and Reeseville, and the city of Juneau, and the Fifth and Sixth wards of the city of Watertown shall constitute the first assembly district of Dodge county. 2. The towns of Beaver Dam, Burnett, Calamus, Chester, Fox Lake, Le Roy, Lomira, Theresa, Trenton, Westford and Williamstown and the village of Fox Lake and the East ward of the village of Randolph, and the cities of Beaver Dam, Mayville and the South ward of the city of Waupun shall constitute the second assembly district of Dodge county.

Douglas County: 1. The First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth wards of the city of Superior shall constitute the first assembly district of Douglas county. 2. The towns of Brule, Gordon, Nebagamain and Superior, and the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth wards of the city of Superior shall constitute the second assembly district of Douglas county.

Eau Claire County: 1. The town of Seymour, and the city of Altoona, and the First, Second, Third, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth wards of the city of Eau Claire shall constitute the first assembly district of Eau Claire county. 2. The towns of Bridge Creek, Brunswick, Clear Creek, Drammen, Fairchild, Lincoln, Ludington, Otter Creek, Pleasant Valley, Union and Washington and the villages of Fairchild and Porter's Mills and the city of Augusta and the Fourth and Seventh wards of the city of Eau Claire shall constitute the second assembly district of Eau Claire county.

Fond du Lac County: 1. The towns of Ashford, Auburn, Calumet, Empire, Friendship, Fond du Lac, Forest, Marshfield, Osceola, and Taycheedah, and the city of Fond du Lac shall constitute the first assembly district of Fond du Lac county. 2. The towns of Alto, Byron, Eden, Eldorado, Lamartine, Mento-men, Oakfield, Ripon, Rosendale, Springvale and Waupun, and the village of Brandon, and the city of Ripon and the North ward of the city of Waupun shall constitute the second assembly district of Fond du Lac county.

Grant County: 1. The towns of Bloomington, Boscobel, Castle Rock, Clifton, Fennimore, Hickory Grove, Lancaster, Liberty, Little Grant, Marion, Millville, Mt. Hope, Mt. Ida, Muscoda, Patch Grove, Watterstown, Wingville, Woodman and Wyalusing, and the villages of Bloomington, Fennimore and Muscoda, and the cities of Boscobel and Lancaster, shall constitute the first as-

sembly district of Grant county. 2. The towns of Beetown, Cassville, Ellenborough, Glen Haven, Hazel Green, Harrison, Jamestown, Lima, Paris, Platteville, Potosi, Smelzer and Waterloo, and the city of Platteville, shall constitute the second assembly district of Grant county.

Jefferson County: 1. The towns of Aztalan, Concord, Farmington, Ixonia, Milford, Waterloo and Watertown, and the village of Waterloo, and the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Seventh wards of the city of Watertown shall constitute the first assembly district of Jefferson county. 2. The towns of Cold Springs, Hebron, Jefferson, Koshkonong, Lake Mills, Oakland, Palmyra, Sullivan and Sumner, and the villages of Lake Mills and Palmyra, and the cities of Fort Atkinson and Jefferson shall constitute the second assembly district of Jefferson county.

La Crosse County: 1. The town of Campbell, and the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth wards of the city of La Crosse shall constitute the first assembly district of La Crosse county. 2. The towns of Bangor, Barre, Burns, Farmington, Greenfield, Hamilton, Holland, Onalaska, Shelby, and Washington, and the city of Onalaska, and the Third, Eighth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth wards of the city La Crosse shall constitute the second assembly district of La Crosse county.

Manitowoc County: 1. The towns of Cato, Centerville, Liberty, Manitowoc, Manitowoc Rapids, Meeme and Newton, and the city of Manitowoc shall constitute the first assembly district of Manitowoc county. 2. The towns of Cooperstown, Eaton, Franklin, Gibson, Kossuth, Maple Grove, Mishicott, Rockland, Schleswig, Two Creeks, and Two Rivers, and the villages of Kiel and Reedsville and the city of Two Rivers shall constitute the second assembly district of Manitowoc county.

Marathon County: 1. The towns of Bergen, Berlin, Brighton, Day, Eau Pleine, Emmett, Frankfort, Halsey, Hamburg, Holton, Cassell, Hull, Johnson, Maine, Marathon, McMillan, Mosinee, Rib Falls, Rietbrock, Spencer, Stettin and Wein, and the villages of Marathon City, McMillan and Mosinee, and the East ward of the city of Colby, shall constitute the first assembly district of Marathon county. 2. The towns of Easton, Eldron, Harrison, Hewitt, Knowlton, Kronenwetter, Norrie, Pike Lake, Plover, Texas, Wausau and Weston and the city of Wausau shall constitute the second assembly district of Marathon county.

Milwaukee County: 1. The First, Third and Seventh wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the first assembly district of Milwaukee county.

2. The Second and Fifteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the second assembly district of Milwaukee county.

3. The towns of Oak Creek and Lake and the villages of Cudahy and South Milwaukee and the Seventeenth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the third assembly district of Milwaukee county.

4. The Fourth and Sixteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fourth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

5. The Fifth and Twelfth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fifth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

6. The Sixth and Eighteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the sixth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

7. The towns of Franklin, Greenfield and Wauwatosa and the village of Wauwatosa shall constitute the seventh assembly district of Milwaukee county.

8. The Eighth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the eighth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

9. The Ninth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the ninth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

10. The Tenth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the tenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

11. The Eleventh ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the eleventh assembly district of Milwaukee county.

12. The Nineteenth and Twentieth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the twelfth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

13. The Thirteenth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the thirteenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

14. The Fourteenth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fourteenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

15. The towns of Granville, Milwaukee and the village of Whitefish Bay and the Twenty-first ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fifteenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

Outagamie County: 1. The towns of Center, Dale, Ellington, Grand Chute and Greenville, and the city of Appleton shall constitute the first assembly district of Outagamie county. 2. The towns of Black Creek, Bovina, Buchanan, Cicero, Deer Creek, Freedom, Hortonia, Kaukauna, Liberty, Maine, Maple Creek, Osborn and Seymour, and the village of Hortonville, and the cities of Kaukauna and Seymour and the Third ward of the city of New London shall constitute the second assembly district of Outagamie county.

Portage County: 1. The towns of Almond, Buena Vista, Grant, Linwood, Pine Grove, and Plover, and the city of Stevens Point, shall constitute the first assembly district of Portage county. 2. The towns of Alban, Amherst, Belmont, Carson, Eau Plaine, Hull, Lanark, New Hope, Sharon, Stevens Point and Stockton shall constitute the second assembly district of Portage county.

Racine County: 1. The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth wards of the city of Racine shall constitute the first assembly district of Racine county. 2. The towns of Burlington, Caledonia, Dover, Mt. Pleasant, Norway, Raymond, Rochester, Waterford, Yorkville, Union Grove and Seventh ward of the city of Racine shall constitute the second assembly district of Racine county.

Rock County: 1. The towns of Center, Janesville and Magnolia, and the city of Janesville shall constitute the first assembly district of Rock county. 2. The towns of Bradford, Fulton, Harmony, Johnstown, La Prairie, Lima, Milton, Rock, Porter and Union, and the village of Evansville, and the city of Edgerton shall constitute the second assembly district of Rock county. 3. The towns of Avon, Beloit, Clinton, Newark, Plymouth, Spring Valley and Turtle, and the village of Clinton, and the city of Beloit shall constitute the third assembly district of Rock county.

Sauk County: 1. The towns of Delton, Baraboo, Fairfield, Freedom, Greenfield, Honey Creek, Merrimac, Prairie du Sac and Sumpter, Troy and the villages of North Freedom, Prairie du Sac, Sauk City, and the city of Baraboo shall constitute the first assembly district of Sauk county. 2. The towns of Deltona, Bear Creek, Excelsior, Franklin, Ironton, La Valle, Reedsburg, Spring Green, Washington, Westfield, Winfield and Woodland, and the villages of Ableman and La Valle, and the city of Reedsburg shall constitute the second assembly district of Sauk county.

Sheboygan County: 1. The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Eighth wards of the city of Sheboygan shall constitute the first assembly district of Sheboygan county. 2. The towns of Herman, Lima, Lyndon, Mosel, Sheboygan, Sheboygan Falls, and Wilson, and the village of Sheboygan Falls, and the Sixth and Seventh wards of the city of Sheboygan shall constitute the second assembly district of Sheboygan county. 3. The towns of Greenbush, Holland, Mitchell, Plymouth, Rhine, Russell, Scott, Sherman and the villages of Elkhart, Lake and Greenbush, and the city of Plymouth shall constitute the third assembly district of Sheboygan county.

Walworth County: 1. The towns of East Troy, Lafayette, La Grange, Richmond, Spring Green, Prairie, Sugar Creek, Troy and Whitewater, and the village of Elkhorn and the city of Whitewater shall constitute the first assembly district of Walworth county. 2. The towns of Bloomfield, Darien, Delavan, Geneva, Linn, Lyons, Sharon and Walworth, and the city of Lake Geneva shall constitute the second assembly district of Walworth county.

Waukesha County: 1. The towns of Brookfield, Menomonie, Muskego, New Berlin, Vernon and Waukesha shall constitute the first assembly district of Waukesha county. 2. The towns of Delafield, Eagle, Genesee, Merton, Mukwonago, Ottawa,

Oconomowoc, Summit, Lisbon and Pewaukee, and the city of Oconomowoc, shall constitute the second assembly district of Waukesha county.

Waupaca County: 1. The towns of Caledonia, Dayton, Farmington, Fremont, Lind, Little Wolf, Royalton, St. Lawrence, Waupaca, Weyauwega, and the villages of Fremont, Weyauwega and the city of Waupaca shall constitute the first assembly district of Waupaca county. 2. The towns of Bear Creek, Dupont, Harrison, Helvetia, Iola, Larrabee, Lebanon, Matteson, Mukwa, Scandinavia, Union and Wyoming and the village of Scandinavia and the city of Clintonville, and the First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth wards of the city of New London shall constitute the second assembly district of Waupaca county.

Winnebago County: 1. The town of Oshkosh, and the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth wards of the city of Oshkosh shall constitute the first assembly district of Winnebago county. 2. The towns of Clayton, Menasha, Neenah, Vinland, Winchester, Winneconne and Wolf River, and the village of Winneconne, and the cities of Menasha and Neenah shall constitute the second assembly district of Winnebago county. 3. The towns of Algoma, Black Wolf, Nekimi, Nepeuskun, Omro, Poygan, Rushford and Utica, and the Third and Sixth, Ninth and Thirteenth wards of the city of Oshkosh shall constitute the third assembly district of Winnebago county.

SENATORIAL DISTRICTS.

Section 2. Until there shall be a new apportionment the senatorial districts of this state shall be constituted as follows:

1. The counties of Door, Kewaunee and Marinette shall constitute the first senatorial district.

2. The counties of Brown and Oconto shall constitute the second senatorial district.

3. The counties of Kenosha and Racine shall constitute the third senatorial district.

4. The Sixth, Thirteenth, Eighteenth and Twenty-first wards of the city of Milwaukee and the village of Whitefish Bay, and the towns of Granville and Milwaukee shall constitute the fourth senatorial district.

5. The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Seventh, Fifteenth, and Sixteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fifth senatorial district.

6. The Ninth, Tenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the sixth senatorial district.

7. The Fourteenth and Seventeenth wards of the city of Milwaukee and the villages of Cudahy, South Milwaukee and Wauwatosa, and the towns of Lake, Oak Creek, Franklin, Green-

field and Wauwatosa shall constitute the seventh senatorial district.

8. The Fifth, Eighth, Eleventh and Twelfth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the eighth senatorial district.

9. The counties of Adams, Marquette, Waushara and Wood shall constitute the ninth senatorial district.

10. The counties of Pierce and St. Croix shall constitute the tenth senatorial district.

11. The counties of Burnett, Douglas and Polk shall constitute the eleventh senatorial district.

12. The counties of Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Iron, Sawyer and Washburn shall constitute the twelfth senatorial district.

13. The county of Dodge shall constitute the thirteenth senatorial district.

14. The counties of Outagamie and Shawano shall constitute the fourteenth senatorial district.

15. The counties of Calumet and Manitowoc shall constitute the fifteenth senatorial district.

16. The counties of Crawford and Grant shall constitute the sixteenth senatorial district.

17. The counties of Green, Iowa and Lafayette shall constitute the seventeenth senatorial district.

18. The counties of Fond du Lac and Green Lake shall constitute the eighteenth senatorial district.

19. The county of Winnebago shall constitute the nineteenth senatorial district.

20. The counties of Ozaukee and Sheboygan shall constitute the twentieth senatorial district.

21. The counties of Portage and Waupaca shall constitute the twenty-first senatorial district.

22. The county of Rock shall constitute the twenty-second senatorial district.

23. The counties of Jefferson and Walworth shall constitute the twenty-third senatorial district.

24. The counties of Buffalo, Eau Claire and Pepin shall constitute the twenty-fourth senatorial district.

25. The counties of Clark and Marathon shall constitute the twenty-fifth senatorial district.

26. The county of Dane shall constitute the twenty-sixth senatorial district.

27. The counties of Columbia and Sauk shall constitute the twenty-seventh senatorial district.

28. The counties of Richland and Vernon shall constitute the twenty-eighth senatorial district.

29. The counties of Chippewa and Dunn shall constitute the twenty-ninth senatorial district.

30. The counties of Florence, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Oneida, Price, Taylor and Vilas shall constitute the thirtieth senatorial district.

31. The counties of Jackson, Juneau and Monroe shall constitute the thirty-first senatorial district.

32. The counties of La Crosse and Trempealeau shall constitute the thirty-second senatorial district.

33. The counties of Washington and Waukesha shall constitute the thirty-third senatorial district.

Section 3. Every incorporated village, whether mentioned in this act or not, that is not entirely separate from any town for the purposes of assessment and taxation, shall be considered as a portion of the town of which it forms a part. Every incorporated village that is entirely separate from any town, and any town or ward that may have been omitted in this act, shall form a part of the assembly district in which it is situated, if it shall be entirely surrounded by territory forming such district, and also be a part of the same senatorial district as such assembly district. If, however, any such incorporated village, town or ward that may have been omitted in this act, shall join two assembly districts in the same county, it shall form a part of the assembly district which it may adjoin having the smallest population, and also be a part of the senatorial district of which such assembly district forms a part.

Section 4. This act shall be published in the official state paper and be in force from and after its passage and publication, and no other publication shall be required. Such act shall also be included in the volume of laws that may be passed by the legislature at its session in 1897 and no other publication in a volume shall be required.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

Executive Chamber.

MADISON, WIS., Feb. 18, 1896.

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

The joint committee has deposited with me the following supplemental report, which I herewith submit to you.

W. H. UPHAM,
Governor.

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATION

The committee appointed under joint resolution No. 10, A., passed at the last session of the legislature, to formulate a bill apportioning the state into senate and assembly districts, to be presented to the next session of the legislature, discharged the duty imposed upon them by the terms of such joint resolution and deposited a bill with the governor on the 13th day of December, 1895.

With the filing of the bill the duties of the committee terminated, but the undersigned, members of the committee, in our individual capacities, have continued to give the important subject which had been committed to us, in part, our careful consideration, with the view of perfecting the bill in every particular where it appeared to be possible to do so, and to eliminate every reasonable objection to the measure that might be urged against it. With the additional time for studying the subject in all of its varying and complex features thus afforded we have found it possible to suggest changes in the bill in some of the particulars which would secure a closer approximation to the representative unit, in the formation of some of the districts, without departing from other constitutional requirements.

These changes are set forth in the accompanying schedule. If we were permitted to do so we would incorporate these modifications in the bill filed with the governor, but as we have no authority to do so now, we join in asking that the amendment we would desire to make be published in the journal in connection with our report, which the governor has laid before you, and also this statement that we make in our individual capacities, as members of the committee, explanatory of our present opinions.

L. W. THAYER,
J. H. STOUT,
JAY G. LAMBERSON,
N. B. TREAT,
FRANK A. ANSON,
C. C. YAWKEY.

Madison, Feb. 18th, 1896.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

Chippewa County: 1. The towns of Anson, Lafayette, Tildon and Wheaton, and the city of Chippewa Falls shall constitute the first assembly district of Chippewa county. 2. The towns of Arthur, Auburn, Big Bend, Bloomer, Cleveland, Colburn, Eagle Point, Edson, Flambeau, Lawrence and Sigel, and

the village of Cadott shall constitute the second assembly district of Chippewa county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 15,040; second, 13,687. Population of districts as per amendment: First, 14,362; second, 14,365.

Columbia County: 1. The towns of Arlington, Caledonia, Dekorra, Leeds, Lewiston, Lodi, Newport and West Point, and the village of Poynette and the city of Portage shall constitute the first assembly district of Columbia county. 2. The towns of Columbus, Courtland, Fort Winnebago, Fountain Prairie, Hampton, Lowville, Marcellon, Otsego, Pacific, Randolph, Scott, Springvale and Wyocena and the villages of Pardeeville, Rio and the west ward of the village of Randolph and the city of Columbus shall constitute the second assembly district of Columbia county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 15,122; second, 15,746. Population of districts as per amendment: First, 15,422; second, 15,446.

Douglas County: 1. The Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth wards of the city of Superior shall constitute the first assembly district of Douglas county. 2. The towns of Brule, Gordon, Nebagamain and Superior and the First, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth wards of the city of Superior shall constitute the second assembly district of Douglas county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 16,444; second, 13,531. Population of districts as per amendment: First, 15,016; second, 14,959.

Fond du Lac County: 1. The towns of Calumet, Empire, Forest, Fond du Lac, Friendship, Marshfield, Osceola, Taycheedah and the city of Fond du Lac shall constitute the first assembly district of Fond du Lac county. 2. The towns of Alto, Ashford, Auburn, Byron, Eden, Eldorado, Lamartine, Metomen, Oakfield, Ripon, Rosendale, Springvale, Waupun, the village of Brandon and the city of Ripon and the north ward of the city of Waupun shall constitute the second assembly district of Fond du Lac county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 26,890; second, 20,546. Population of districts as per amendment: First, 23,499; second, 23,937.

Grant County: The towns of Bloomington, Boscobel, Castle Rock, Fennimore, Hickory Grove, Lancaster, Liberty, Little Grant, Marion, Millville, Mount Hope, Mount Ida, Muscoda, Patch Grove, Watterstown, Wingville, Woodman, Wyalusing, and the villages of Bloomington, Fennimore, Montfort, Muscoda, and the cities of Boscobel and Lancaster shall constitute the first assembly district of Grant county. 2. The towns of Beetown, Cassville, Clifton, Ellenborough, Glen Haven, Hazel Green, Harrison, Jamestown, Lima, Paris, Platteville, Potosi, Smelzer, Waterloo and the villages of Cassville, Cuba City, Hazel Green, Potosi and the city of Platteville shall constitute the second assembly district of Grant county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 18,411; second, 19,961. Population of districts as per proposed amendment: First, 18,917; second, 19,455.

Jefferson County: 1. The towns of Cold Springs, Concord, Farmington, Hebron, Ixonia, Palmyra, Sullivan, and Watertown and the village of Palmyra and the First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Seventh, wards of the city of Watertown shall constitute the first assembly district of Jefferson county. 2. The towns of Aztalan, Jefferson, Koshkonong, Lake Mills, Milford, Oakland, Sumner and the villages of Lake Mills and Waterloo and the cities of Fort Atkinson and Jefferson shall constitute the second assembly district of Jefferson county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 18,436; second, 17,881. Population of districts as per proposed amendments: First, 18,287; second, 18,030.

Manitowoc County: 1. The towns of Centerville, Liberty, Manitowoc, Manitowoc Rapids, Meeme, Newton, Schleswig, the village of Kiel and the city of Manitowoc shall constitute the first assembly district of Manitowoc county. 2. The towns of Cato, Cooperstown, Eaton, Franklin, Gibson, Kossuth, Mapie Grove, Mishicott, Rockland, Two Creeks and Two Rivers and the city of Two Rivers shall constitute the second assembly district of Manitowoc county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 20,119; second, 20,687. Population of districts as per proposed amendments: First, 20,611; second, 20,191.

Outagamie County: 1. The towns of Dale, Ellington, Grand Chute, Greenville, Hortonville, the village of Hortonville, the Third ward of the city of New London and the city of Appleton shall constitute the first assembly district of Outagamie county. 2. The towns of Black Creek, Bovina, Buchanan, Center, Cicero, Deer Creek, Freedom, Kaukauna, Liberty, Maine, Maple Creek, Osborne, Seymour and the cities of Kaukauna and Seymour shall constitute the second assembly district of Outagamie county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 21,710; second, 22,694. Population of districts as per amendments: First, 22,309; second, 22,095.

Rock County: 1. The towns of Janesville, La Prairie and Rock and the city of Janesville shall constitute the first assembly district of Rock county. 2. The towns of Center, Fulton, Harmony, Johnstown, Lima, Magnolia, Milton, Porter and Union and the village of Evansville and the city of Edgerton shall constitute the second assembly district of Rock county. 3. The towns of Avon, Bradford, Beloit, Clinton, Newark, Plymouth, Spring Valley, Turtle and Clinton and the city of Beloit shall constitute the third assembly district of Rock county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 16,475; second, 15,847; third, 16,092. Population of districts as per proposed amendments: First, 16,084; second, 16,282; third, 16,048.

Sauk County: 1. The towns of Baraboo, Delton, Dellona, Excelsior, Fairfield, Freedom, Greenfield, Merrimac, Prairie du Sac, Sumpter, and the villages of Ableman, North Freedom, Prairie du Sac and Sauk City and the city of Baraboo shall constitute the first assembly district of Sauk county. 2. The

towns of Bear Creek, Franklin, Honey Creek, Ironton, La Valle, Reedsburg, Spring Green, Troy, Washington, Westfield, Winfield, Woodland, and the village of La Valle and the city of Reedsburg shall constitute the second assembly district of Sauk county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 16,617; second, 16,302. Population of districts as per amendments: First, 16,523; second, 16,396.

Sheboygan County: 1. The First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Eighth wards of the city of Sheboygan shall constitute the first assembly district of Sheboygan county. 2. The towns of Holland, Lima, Mosel, Sheboygan, Sheboygan Falls and Wilson and the village of Sheboygan Falls and the Sixth and Seventh wards of the city of Sheboygan shall constitute the second assembly district of Sheboygan county. 3. The towns of Greenbush, Herman, Lyndon, Mitchell, Plymouth, Rhine, Russell, Scott and Sherman and the village of Elkhart Lake and the city of Plymouth shall constitute the third assembly district of Sheboygan county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 16,647; second, 16,924; third, 14,825. Population of districts as per proposed amendments: First, 16,527; second, 16,205; third, 15,665.

Walworth County: 1. The towns of East Troy, Lafayette, La Grange, Lyons, Spring Prairie, Sugar Creek, Troy and Whitewater and the village of Elkhorn and the city of Whitewater shall constitute the first assembly district of Walworth county. 2. The towns of Bloomfield, Darien, Delavan, Geneva Linn, Richmond, Sharon, and Walworth and the city of Lake Geneva shall constitute the second assembly district of Walworth county.

Waukesha County: 1. The towns of Brookfield, Eagle, Mukwonago, Muskego, Ottawa, New Berlin, Vernon, Waukesha and the city of Waukesha shall constitute the first assembly district of Waukesha county. 2. The towns of Delafield, Genesee, Lisbon, Menomonee, Merton, Oconomowoc, Pewaukee, Summit and the city of Oconomowoc shall constitute the second assembly district of Waukesha county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 17,734; second, 18,828. Population of districts as per amendments: First, 18,215; second, 18,347.

Waupaca County: 1. The towns of Caledonia, Dayton, Farmington, Fremont, Lind, Little Wolf, Royalton, Scandinavia, St. Lawrence, Waupaca, Weyauwega and the villages of Fremont, Scandinavia, Weyauwega and the city of Waupaca shall constitute the first assembly district of Waupaca county. 2. The towns of Bear Creek, Dupont, Harrison, Helvetia, Iola, Larabee, Lebanon, Matteson, Mukwa, Union and Wyoming and the city of Clintonville and the First, Second, Fourth and Fifth wards of the city of New London shall constitute the second assembly district of Waupaca county. Population of districts as per bill: First, 14,958; second, 15,835. Population of districts as per amendments: First, 15,230; second, 15,563.

Senatorial districts are amended as follows:

12. The counties of Ashland, Bayfield, Iron, Sawyer and Washburn and the towns of Arthur, Auburn, Big Bend, Bloomer, Cleveland, Colburn, Eagle Point, Edson, Flambeau, Lawrence and Sigel and the village of Cadott, in the county of Chippewa, shall constitute the twelfth senate district.

29. The counties of Barron, Dunn and the towns of Anson, Lafayette, Tilden and Wheaton, and the city of Chippewa Falls, in the county of Chippewa, shall constitute the Twenty-ninth senate district.

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The assembly took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.
The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

The several communications from the governor transmitting the report of the committee on Legislative Apportionment together with accompanying documents, were referred to the joint select committee on Apportionment appointed under joint resolution No. 3, S.

Leave of absence for the next session was granted to Mr. Hanke.

On motion of Mr. Hirschinger,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1896.
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.
The Rev. H. A. Winters offered prayer.
On motion of Mr. F. E. Clarke,
The roll call was dispensed with.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Jecke and Conway indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Utt,
The assembly took a recess till 7:30.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met,
Called to order by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Geo. R. Mahoney:

Res. No. 6, A.,

WHEREAS, Since the last session of this assembly, by a dispensation of Divine Providence, Hon. James W. Freeman, an

honored member of this assembly, loved and respected by all for his ability and many virtues, has been taken from the scene of his earthly labors and we thereby deprived of his experience and counsel:

Be it therefore resolved by this assembly, That we sincerely deplore the death of our esteemed colleague and the loss to this assembly of an influential and useful member; to the state of an upright citizen; to his district of a valuable representative; and to his family of an appreciative husband and father.

Resolved, also, That a copy of these resolutions be engrossed and forwarded to the family of the deceased at Shullsburg, Lafayette county, Wisconsin.

Adopted by a rising vote.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

Mr. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted and asks the concurrence of the assembly in:

Jt. Res. No. 4, S.,

Calling for certain books, for use of the joint committee on Apportionment.

Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,

Relating to joint committee on Apportionment.

The president has announced the following named senators as members of the joint committee on Apportionment: Senators Thayer, Stout, Weeks, Baxter, Kennedy, McMullen and Kruszka.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. Nos. 4 and 5, S.,

Were severally concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Latta,

The assembly adjourned till tomorrow at 12 o'clock noon.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1896.
12 O'CLOCK M.

The assembly met.
The speaker in the chair.
The Rev. H. A. Winters offered prayer.
On motion of Mr. Williams,
The roll call was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Burke,
The assembly took a recess till 7:30.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.
Called to order by the speaker.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Was granted to Mr. Taylor indefinitely.

Mr. O'Neill moved that the senate be requested to return to the assembly for further consideration,
Jt. Res. No. 5, S.,
Relating to joint committee on Apportionment.
Which motion prevailed.

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED.

By D. O. Mahoney:

Jt. Res. No. 1. A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the secretary of state be, and is hereby, directed to have the journal of each house of the legislature and the law enacted at this session of the legislature bound together in pamphlet form, to the number of two thousand copies, and that the journal of the senate of this session be permanently bound with the journal of the senate of the next regular session, as an appendix thereto; that the journal of the assembly of this session be so bound with the assembly journal of the next regular session, and that the act which may be passed at this session be bound with the laws of 1897 as an appendix thereto.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hirschinger,
The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1896.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. H. A. Winters offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Christians, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Croll, Davidson, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Finn, Fraser, Frost, Gilmore, Grier, Hagemeister, Hall, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffman, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Lange, Latta, Lee, Lord, Maertz, Mahoney D. O., Mahoney G. R., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., McGalloway, Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Plisch, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Sanderson, Schellenberg, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sorge, Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Winter, Wiperman, Wolff G. W. Wolf H., Wolfinger, Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—88.

Absent—Messrs. Ellarson and Jeché—2.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Bonce Conway, Froehlich, Hambright, Landt, Taylor and Uecke—10

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted to Messrs. Froehlich, Boncel, Besse, and Winter for this session.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Hall:

Res. No. 7, A.,

Resolved, That the attorney general, or in his absence, the assistant attorney general be requested to inform the assembly at the earliest possible moment, whether in his opinion assembly bill No. 1, A bill apportioning the state into senate and assembly districts, is constitutional.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions together with a copy of assembly bill number one be placed in the hands of the attorney general, or his assistant, by the chief clerk immediately.

Which was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in,

Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

Requesting the attorney general to furnish his written opinion as to the constitutionality of senate bill No. 1, S.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. No. 6, S.,

Was placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The select joint committee on Apportionment, to whom was referred the governor's message relating to apportioning and districting anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts.

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the same back by bill, and recommend that the same be passed.

The bill adopted by the committee is the original bill filed with the governor, with amendments.

JAY G. LAMBERSON,
Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

To the Honorable Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

The undersigned members of the joint committee of twenty, appointed at the present special session of the legislature, called by his excellency, the governor, for the purpose of re-apportioning and re-districting the state into senate and assembly districts, to whom was referred the bill prepared by the special committee appointed pursuant to joint resolution No. 10, passed by the legislature of Wisconsin at its regular session in 1895, refuse to concur in and object to the bill reported by the majority of said committee of twenty, as presented this 21st day of February, 1896, for the following reasons:

First:—No extra session of the legislature can be convened to pass an apportionment bill unless there be something in the present apportionment of the state into senate and assembly districts that would be construed to be an extraordinary occasion, within the meaning of the constitution. It is confidently submitted that there is nothing in the present districting of the state that could be so construed.

Second:—If we concede for the sake of the argument that such extraordinary occasion or exigency exists which would warrant the convening of the legislature and the presenting of an apportionment bill for such re-districting, then we object and protest against the bill presented for unfairness and violation of the constitutional provisions, which must govern in the formation of such a law, for the reason that the mandate of the constitution is violated, first: in that the senatorial districts proposed thereby do not consist of convenient contiguous territory, and do not contain a population as nearly equal as possible. The senatorial unit as fixed by the present census being 58,725, and the senatorial districts as fixed by the bill recommended by the committee varying between 46,654, being 12,071 below the senatorial unit, and 68,345, which is 9,620 above the senatorial unit, being a difference in population between senatorial districts as proposed by the terms of said bill of 21,691; and second: because in the formation of the senatorial districts in the county of Milwaukee and many other parts of the state, principal portions of and whole senatorial districts are unnecessarily transferred from even numbered to odd numbered districts and vice versa, so that a large portion—in some instances three-fourths and more—of the lawful voters of such districts are in effect disfranchised for a term of years, and others thereby given the privilege of again exercising the right of franchise in electing or assisting in electing new members of the senate; and third: because said senate districts so constituted in many instances contain but two assembly districts, while in others four assembly districts are assigned to a single senate district.

We also refuse to concur in, and object to the assembly districts as proposed by said bill, for the reason that many of the same are not in as compact form as practicable, and for the further reason of the disparity in population between said districts, the same varying in population from 14,025 to 27,271, a difference of 13,246, and in one county (Milwaukee) ranging between 15,291 and 26,432, a difference of 11,141 in the population of assembly districts in that one county.

We might readily point out other glaring irregularities and defects in said proposed bill, but believing that the above is sufficient to call the attention of the legislature to the impropriety of passing said bill, we submit this our protest for the consideration of the legislature, and believe that when its attention is called to said specific defects and others which appear upon the face of said bill, the legislature in common fairness and in justice to the people represented by it, will refuse to lend itself to the passage of a measure so palpably unfair and unjust.

WILLIAM KENNEDY,
J. E. McMULLEN,
MICHAEL KRUSZKA,
HERM. SCHELLENBERG,
HERMAN ROSENKRANZ,
ROBERT PLISCH.

On motion of Mr. Sloan,
The assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On bill No. 1, A.

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts,

Mr. Latta in the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee arose and through its chairman reported as follows:

MR. SPEAKER—The committee of the Whole have had under consideration Bill No. 1, A. and report progress thereon.

On motion of Mr. Burdick,
The assembly took a recess till 2 o'clock p. m.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.
Called to order by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS OFFERED.

By Mr. W. A. Jones:

Res. No. 8., A.,

Resolved, That the Hon. Attorney General, or in his absence the Hon. Assistant Attorney General, be requested to answer the following questions for the information of the assembly, viz.:

1. Can county lines be broken in the formation of senate districts?

2. If, in the formation of senate districts, greater equality of population can be attained by breaking county lines than by not breaking such lines, and assuming that the assembly districts can be kept intact, and that the senate districts can also be formed of convenient and contiguous territory, should not the legislature break county lines, in order to conform to the decisions of our supreme court?

Adopted.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

To the Honorable, the Assembly of the State of Wisconsin:

GENTLEMEN — This office has under consideration the two questions submitted relating to the formation of an apportionment bill at the present session of the legislature:

1. Can county lines be broken in the formation of senate districts?

2. If in the formation of senate districts greater equality of population can be attained by breaking county lines than by not breaking such lines, and assuming that the assembly districts can be kept intact, and that the senate districts can also be formed of convenient, contiguous territory, should not the legislature break county lines in order to conform to the decisions of our supreme court?

Our supreme court has decided in the late case of *State ex rel. Lamb vs. Cunningham*, reported in 83 Wis., page 90, and more especially on page 152, that "the only constitutional impediment to the security of equality of representation in senate districts is the requirement that senators shall be chosen by single districts of convenient, contiguous territory and no assembly district shall be divided in the formation of a senate district."

This seems to us to be the plain and natural construction to be placed upon the language contained in section 5 of article IV of the Constitution.

Being asked to give an immediate answer to these questions without a full statement of the reasons, we will simply add that in our opinion both these questions should be answered in the affirmative.

W. H. MYLREA,
Attorney General.

Dictated by

JOHN L. ERDALL,

Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. Mohr moved that all rules interfering with the immediately consideration of,

No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin in senate and assembly districts,

Be suspended and the bill placed upon its passage.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative: Ayes, 57; noes, 14; absent or not voting, 29.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burke, Clark E. F., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGroff, Dodge, Fraser, Frost, Grier, Hall, Hansen E. F., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Martin T. L., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Stanley, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Wilke, Winter, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—57.

Noes—Messrs. Burdick, Christians, Finn, Gilmore, Jones W. A., Mahoney G. R., Martin H. C., Plisch, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Smith J. J., Sorge, Williams and Wolf H.—14.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Boncel, Clark F. E., Conway, Croll, Eaton, Ellarson, Froehlich, Hagemeister, Ham, Hambright, Hanke, Hanson J., Hoyt, Jeche, Landt, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, McGalloway, Schellenberg, Spaulding, Stillman, Taylor, Uecke, Werhein and Wolfinger—29.

Mr. Hall moved that the bill be recommitted to the joint select committee on Apportionment.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the negative: Ayes, 32; noes, 39; absent or not voting, 29.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Christians, Dodge, Finn, Fraser, Frost, Gilmore, Grier, Hall, Harris, Johnson, Jones W. A., Latta, Lee, Mahoney D. O., Mahoney G. R., Martin H. C., Paulus, Plisch, Ray, Reynolds, Rodrian, Rosenkranz, Smith J. J., Sorge, Williams, Wipperman, Wolf H. and Mr. Speaker—32.

Noes—Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Clark E. F., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGroff, Hansen E. F., Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hurd, Jeske, Jones S. S., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Lord, Martin T. L., Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Prochnow, Sanderson, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Spaulding, Stanley, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Wilke, Winter, Wolff G. W., Woller and Yawkey—39.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Boncel, Clark F. E., Conway, Croll, Eaton, Ellarson, Froehlich, Hagemeister, Ham, Hambright, Hanke, Hanson J., Hoyt, Jeche, Landt, Lange, Maertz, Marsh, McGalloway, Miller, Schellenberg, Stillman, Taylor, Uecke, Werhein and Wolfinger—29.

Mr. Christians moved

A CALL OF THE HOUSE.

The call not having been seconded by a sufficient number, the motion was declared lost.

Mr. Buckstaff moved that the bill be referred to a select committee comprising the gentlemen constituting the Judiciary committee of the assembly at the last regular session of the legislature.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the negative: Ayes, 15; noes, 55; absent or not voting, 30.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Buckstaff, Burdick, Clark E. F., Fraser, Grier, Hall, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Johnson, Jones W. A., Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin H. C., Smith J. J. and Williams—15.

Noes—Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Bullard, Burke, Christians, Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGroff, Dodge, Finn, Frost, Gilmore, Hansen E. F., Harris, Hirschinger, Hurd, Jeske, Jones S. S., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Latta, Mahoney G. R., Martin T. L., Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Plisch, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Rodrian, Sanderson, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Sorge, Spaulding, Stanley, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Wilke, Winter, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Wolf H., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—55.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Boncel, Clarke F. E., Conway, Croll, Eaton, Ellarson, Froehlich, Hagemeister, Ham, Hambright, Hanke, Hanson J., Jeche, Landt, Lange, Lee, Lord, Maertz, McGalloway, Miller, Rosenkranz, Schellenberg, Stillman, Taylor, Uecke, Werhein and Wolfinger—30.

Mr. Bullard moved to recommit the bill to a special committee of five members of the assembly, none of whom have served on the committee which reported the bill.

On division the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

Further consideration of the bill was postponed till the next session.

On motion of Mr. Burke,

The assembly took a recess till 7:30.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil,

The assembly took a recess until 9 o'clock p. m.

9 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Burdick:

Jt. Res. No. 2, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That when the legislature adjourn it be to Tuesday at 8 o'clock p. m.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. D. O. Mahoney,

No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts,

Was re-referred to the joint special committee on Apportionment.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in:

Jt. Res. No. 2, A.,

Relating to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Paulus,

The assembly adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1896.

8:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bul-
lard, Burdick, Burke, Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Croll, David-
son, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Fin, Fraser, Froehlich, Frost, Gil-
more, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Hirschinger,
Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeche, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W.
A., Kimball, Lamberson, Landt, Lange, Lee, Lord, Mahoney
G. R., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., McGalloway, Miller,
Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Ray, Reynolds, Rodrian, San-
derson, Schellenberg, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J.,
Sorge, Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat,
Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Winter, Wolf G. W., Wolf H.,
Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—75.

Absent—Messrs. Boncel, Christians, Clark E. F., Hall,
Harris, Latta, Maertz, Mahoney D. O., Plisch, Rosencranz and
Wolfinger—11.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Conway,
Ellarson, Grier, Hagemeister, Hambright, Jeske, Klabunde,
Prochnow, Taylor, Uecke and Wipperman—14.

REPORT OF SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

The select committee on Apportionment, to whom was re-committed

No. 1, A.,

"A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts,"

Have considered the same and respectfully report the same back with amendments and recommend that the same do pass when so amended.

Amend as follows:

Item 1—Amend the division of Dodge county assembly districts by placing Clyman in the first assembly district and Burnett in the second district.

Item 2—2. The Second and Fourth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the second assembly district of Milwaukee county.

4. The Fifteenth and Sixteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fourth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

Item 3—9. The counties of Adams, Marquette, Waushara and Juneau shall constitute the ninth senatorial district.

Item 4—16. The counties of Grant and Iowa shall constitute the sixteenth senatorial district.

Item 5—17. The counties of Green and Lafayette, and the towns of Avon, Beloit, Clinton, Newark, Plymouth, Spring Valley, Turtle, and the village of Clinton and the city of Beloit, in the county of Rock, shall constitute the seventeenth senatorial district.

Item 6—22. The towns of Bradford, Center, Fulton, Harmony, Janesville, Johnstown, Lima, La Prairie, Magnolia, Milton, Porter, Rock and Union, and the village of Evansville, and the cities of Edgerton and Janesville, in the county of Rock, and the towns of Aztalan, Jefferson, Koshkonong, Lake Mills, Milford, Oakland, Sumner, Waterloo, and the villages of Lake Mills and Waterloo, and the cities of Fort Atkinson and Jefferson, in the county of Jefferson, shall constitute the twenty-second senatorial district.

Item 7—23. The county of Walworth and the towns of Cold Springs, Concord, Farmington, Hebron, Ixonia, Palmyra, Sullivan and Watertown, and the village of Palmyra, and the First,

Second, Third, Fourth, and Seventh wards of the city of Watertown, in the county of Jefferson, shall constitute the twenty-third senatorial district.

Item 8—28. The counties of Crawford, Richland and Vernon shall constitute the twenty-eighth senatorial district.

Item 9—31. The counties of Jackson, Monroe and Wood shall constitute the thirty-first senatorial district.

Your committee have re-examined all the figures of each senate and assembly district and are satisfied that the same are correct, and that no territory has been omitted.

In order that the foregoing report may be thoroughly understood your committee have deemed it best to submit herewith a few rules used for their guidance in framing this apportionment, which rules were understood to be those laid down by the supreme court of this state in considering the constitutional requirements in regard to apportionment.

Section 3 of Article IV of our Constitution provides that:—"The legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate and assembly, *according to the number of inhabitants.*" This provision means, in our opinion, equality of representation as far as practicable in both senate and assembly districts.

In the case of *The State ex rel. Lamb vs. Cunningham*, reported in the 83rd Wisconsin, page 90, the Supreme Court of this state has said, on page 152:

"The constitution also requires that 'the legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate *according to the number of inhabitants.*' Sec. 3, art. IV. The only constitutional impediment to the security of equality of representation in such senate districts is the requirement that 'senators shall be chosen by *single* districts of convenient contiguous territory, *and no assembly district shall be divided in the formation of a senate district.*' Sec. 5, Art. IV."

Your committee have first divided the state into assembly districts keeping in mind first of all, equality of representation: second, "county, town or ward lines;" third, "contiguous territory;" and fourth, compact form as far as practicable.

The last two members of assembly were apportioned to Chipewa and Portage counties for the reason that these counties had the largest population remaining over after the counties receiving members of assembly for the full unit and a major fraction of representation, and in our judgment none of the other constitutional provisions would seem to require that these members of the assembly should be given to any other county.

In the formation of senate districts your committee have borne carefully in mind the first rule of equality of representation, and proceeded without dividing the assembly districts to form the senatorial districts of convenient contiguous territory.

We are advised by the law department of the state that there is no doubt but what county lines may be broken in the formation of senatorial districts, provided that we otherwise comply with the requirements of section 5 of Article IV of the constitution. It has, however, been the aim of your committee to avoid breaking county lines as far as consistent with the constitutional requirements, for the reason that the interests of the people of the several counties are more likely to be identical than if divided and attached to other counties, and we are pleased, therefore, to call especial attention to the fact that in only two counties have the lines been broken, and these were broken solely for the reason that your committee were otherwise unable to comply with the constitutional requirements, and especially the one of equality of population.

A few words of explanation should be made in regard to some of the districts in order that the members of the legislature may fully understand the position of your committee.

Senate district No 13 is composed of Dodge county alone, containing two members of assembly, and a population of 47,851.

Senate district No. 27 is composed of Sauk and Columbia counties, each of which contains two members of assembly, and a total population of 63,605. The eastern district, to-wit: No. 2 of Columbia county, contains 15,746 in population. If the eastern district of Columbia county be added to Dodge county the population would be 63,597, or only eight less than senate district No. 27, as provided in the bill. With the eastern assembly district attached to Dodge county, we would have a senatorial district of 63,597, and senate district No. 27 would have a population of 48,041, or only 190 in population greater than Dodge county, when made a senatorial district by itself.

The returns from elections held in this state for many years past demonstrate beyond any question that the senator from senate district No. 13 will be from the party opposite to the senator from senate district No. 27, regardless of whether or not district No. 2 in Columbia county be placed in senate district No. 27 or in senate district No. 13. Your committee, realizing the fact that no partisan advantage is to be gained or lost by either party, have taken into consideration the question of *convenience* and deemed it best, under the circumstances, to leave Columbia county intact, and all to be contained in senate district No. 27.

Senate district No. 10, composed of St. Croix and Pierce counties, each having one member of assembly, is so situated that it is not possible to attach any other assembly district without unduly increasing the population of senate district No. 10, so much as to clearly violate the equality of representation sought to be maintained herein.

Senate district No. 11 is somewhat similarly situated, and

being upon the north-western confines of the state, and it being impossible to place Burnett county in any other assembly district, save that of Polk county, it becomes necessary to attach the assembly district composed of Burnett and Polk counties to the two assembly districts of Douglas county, in the formation of senatorial district No. 11. This senatorial district in our judgment is constitutional and does not violate any requirement in regard to senatorial districts.

In closing this report the committee beg leave to submit that they have given the greatest weight to equality in the population of the districts with proper regard for "convenience," and "compactness" and that in their judgment they have not given undue prominence to any constitutional requirement over that of any other, but have endeavored to follow all the constitutional requirements in the spirit of its makers. Your committee are also satisfied that any other policy than the one adopted would be to give undue prominence to some one requirement, and by so doing, reduce the legislature in the language of the court of appeals of the state of New York in a recent decision, "to mere ministerial officers, whose only duty would be to secure the nearest approach to numerical equality between the districts without regard to the constitutional requirements of *convenience, contiguity and compactness.*" This, we are confident, is neither the letter nor spirit of the constitution, and that a reasonable discretion in these matters rests with the legislature.

The accompanying "Exhibit" will show the population of the several senate and assembly districts as they appear in the bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAY G. LAMBERSON,

Chairman, on the part of the Assembly.

Senator Kruszka and Assemblyman Schellenberg dissenting.

" EXHIBIT "

Showing the population of the senate and assembly districts according to the proposed apportionment bill accompanying this report:

SENATE DISTRICTS.

<i>No. of Dist.</i>	<i>Population.</i>
1st	61,872
2d	63,962
3d	58,658
4th	56,118
5th	59,252
6th	59,417
7th	57,722
8th	55,413
9th	51,844

10th.....	48,910
11th.....	51,995
12th.....	63,303
13th.....	47,851
14th.....	66,977
15th.....	58,546
16th.....	61,819
17th.....	60,956
18th.....	63,375
19th.....	57,627
20th.....	64,941
21st.....	59,324
22d.....	50,396
23d.....	47,449
24th.....	57,670
25th.....	57,940
26th.....	65,669
27th.....	63,787
28th.....	63,857
29th.....	53,733
30th.....	56,611
31st.....	64,709
32d.....	65,573
33d.....	60,639
Total.....	1,937,915

ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>District.</i>	<i>Population.</i>
Barron.....	1	20,122
Calumet.....	1	17,744
Clark.....	1	21,203
Crawford.....	1	17,342
Door.....	1	16,969
Dunn.....	1	25,006
Green.....	1	23,420
Green Lake.....	1	15,939
Iowa.....	1	23,447
Jackson.....	1	16,722
Juneau.....	1	18,754
Kenosha.....	1	17,548
Kewaunee.....	1	17,632
Lafayette.....	1	21,488
Marinette.....	1	27,271
Monroe.....	1	26,350
Oconto.....	1	18,339
Ozaukee.....	1	16,545
Pierce.....	1	23,040
Richland.....	1	19,619

St. Croix.....	1	25,870
Shawano.....	1	22,573
Trempealeau.....	1	21,963
Vernon.....	1	27,035
Washington.....	1	24,077
Waushara.....	1	15,355
Wood.....	1	21,637
Adams.....	1	17,735
Marquette.....		
Ashland.....	1	22,579
Iron.....		
Bayfield.....	1	20,602
Sawyer.....		
Washburn.....	1	24,498
Buffalo.....		
Pepin.....	1	22,009
Burnett.....		
Polk.....	1	15,230
Forest.....		
Florence.....	1	23,263
Langlade.....		
Lincoln.....	1	18,118
Taylor.....		
Oneida.....	1	22,823
Price.....		
Vilas.....	1	22,800
Brown.....	2	14,211
Brown.....	1	14,516
Chippewa.....	2	15,122
Chippewa.....	1	15,746
Columbia.....	2	22,002
Columbia.....	1	21,421
Dane.....	2	22,246
Dane.....	3	23,467
Dane.....	1	24,384
Dodge.....	2	15,016
Dodge.....	1	14,967
Douglas.....	1	16,576
Douglas.....	2	16,596
Eau Claire.....	1	23,499
Eau Claire.....	2	24,384
Fond du Lac.....	1	19,445
Fond du Lac.....	2	18,917
Grant.....	1	18,287
Grant.....	2	18,030
Jefferson.....	1	21,851
Jefferson.....	2	21,759
La Crosse.....	1	20,119
La Crosse.....	2	
Manitowoc.....	1	

Manitowoc.....	2	20,683
Marathon.....	1	18,174
Marathon.....	2	18,424
Milwaukee.....	1	20,871
Milwaukee.....	2	19,626
Milwaukee.....	3	18,696
Milwaukee.....	4	18,755
Milwaukee.....	5	21,152
Milwaukee.....	6	24,581
Milwaukee.....	7	21,818
Milwaukee.....	8	15,618
Milwaukee.....	9	16,933
Milwaukee.....	10	16,062
Milwaukee.....	11	18,643
Milwaukee.....	12	26,432
Milwaukee.....	13	15,291
Milwaukee.....	14	17,145
Milwaukee.....	15	16,246
Outagamie.....	1	21,710
Outagamie.....	2	22,694
Portage.....	1	14,442
Portage.....	2	14,089
Racine.....	1	21,463
Racine.....	2	19,647
Rock.....	1	16,084
Rock.....	2	16,282
Rock.....	3	16,048
Sauk.....	1	16,523
Sauk.....	2	16,396
Sheboygan.....	1	16,647
Sheboygan.....	2	16,089
Sheboygan.....	3	15,658
Walworth.....	1	14,338
Walworth.....	2	14,824
Waukesha.....	1	18,305
Waukesha.....	2	18,257
Waupaca.....	1	15,558
Waupaca.....	2	15,237
Winnebago.....	1	19,372
Winnebago.....	2	19,372
Winnebago.....	3	18,883
Total.....		1,937,915

Mr. Hanke moved that all rules interfering with the immediate consideration of

No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin in senate and assembly districts,

Be suspended, and the bill placed upon its passage,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Dodge gave notice of intention to offer further amendments to the bill, and asked leave to print the same in the journal, which was granted:

The proposed amendments are as follows:

No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts,

Is hereby amended by striking out on page eight thereof all the words relating to the formation of the fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth senatorial districts in Milwaukee county in said state and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to-wit:

4th. The First, Third, Seventh, Thirteenth, Twenty-first and Eighteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee and the town of Milwaukee and village of Whitefish Bay shall constitute the fourth senatorial district.

5th. The Second, Fourth, Sixth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fifth senatorial district.

7th. The Twelfth and Seventeenth wards of the city of Milwaukee and the town of Wauwatosa, village of Wauwatosa, towns of Granville, Greenfield, Franklin, Lake, Oak Creek and villages of Cudahy and South Milwaukee shall constitute the seventh senatorial district.

8th. The Fifth, Eighth, Eleventh and Fourteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the eighth senatorial district.

And by striking out of said bill on page five thereof all the words relating to the formation of assembly districts of Milwaukee county, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, to-wit: 1. The First, Third and Seventh wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the first assembly district of Milwaukee county.

2. The Second and Fifteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the second assembly district of Milwaukee county.

3. The Nineteenth and Twentieth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the third assembly district of Milwaukee county.

4. The towns of Granville, Wauwatosa and the village of Wauwatosa shall constitute the 4th assembly district of Milwaukee county.

5. The towns of Greenfield, Franklin, Lake, Oak Creek and the villages of Cudahy and South Milwaukee shall constitute the 5th assembly district of Milwaukee county.

6. The Sixth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the sixth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

7. The Eighteenth ward of the city of Milwaukee and the town of Milwaukee and the village of Whitefish Bay shall constitute the seventh assembly district of Milwaukee county.

8. The Fifth and Eighth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the eighth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

9. The Ninth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the ninth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

10. The Tenth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the tenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

11. The Eleventh ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the eleventh assembly district of Milwaukee county.

12. The Twelfth and Seventeenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the twelfth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

13. The Thirteenth and Twenty-first wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the thirteenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

14. The Fourteenth ward of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fourteenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

15. The Fourth and Sixteenth wards of the city of Milwaukee shall constitute the fifteenth assembly district of Milwaukee county.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil,
The assembly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1896
10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bul-
lard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Conway, Cous-
ins, Cox, Croll, Davidson, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Finn, Fraser,
Froehlich, Frost, Gilmore, Grier, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F.,
Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffman, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeche,
Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde,
Lamberson, Landt, Lange, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O.,
Mahoney G. R., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., McGal-
loway, Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Plisch, Proch-
now, Ray, Reynolds, Rodrian, Sanderson, Schellenberg, Sieker,
Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sorge, Spaulding, Stanley,
Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Wil-
liams, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Wolf H., Woller, Yawkey and
Mr. Speaker—85.

Absent—Messrs. Maertz, Rosenkranz and Wolfinger—3.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Boncel, Bonnin, Besse, Blake,
Christians, Ellarson, Hagemeister, Hall, Hambright, Taylor,
Uecke and Winter—12.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Besse, Christians and Hall for this session.

To Messrs. Hagemeister and Kimball indefinitely.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. D. O. Mahoney:

Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That whereas, the State Teachers' Association has extended, on behalf of the teachers of the state, an invitation to the National Educational Association to meet in Milwaukee in 1897; therefore, be it

Resolved by the legislature of Wisconsin, Representing the people of the entire state, that a most cordial invitation is hereby extended to the National Educational Association to meet in Wisconsin in 1897.

Which was adopted.

By Mr. De Groff:

Res. No. 9, A.,

WHEREAS, Mr. Hagemeister, only brother of a member of this body, the Hon. Henry Hagemeister, has departed this life on the 25th instant,

Resolved, That the expression of sympathy of this body is hereby extended to our colleague in the loss which he and his family sustained by the death of a brother whose memory is entitled to live in the hearts of his fellow citizens.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hanke,
The assembly resolved itself into a

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On bill No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts.

Mr. Latta in the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee arose and through its chairman reported as follows:

No 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts.

With the amendments reported by the joint special committee on Apportionment, and recommend the adoption of said amendments.

Mr. Mohr moved that all rules interfering with the immediate consideration of the bill and pending amendments be suspended, and

The bill but upon its passage.

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative: Ayes, 67; noes, 16; absent or not voting, 17.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Fraser, Froehlich, Frost, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Wolff G. W., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Burke, Conway, Croll, Finn, Gilmore, Jeché, Lange, Mahoney G. R., McGalloway, Plisch, Rodrian, Schellenberg, Sloan, Sorge, Wipperman and Wolf H.—16.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Boncel, Christians, Ellarson, Grier, Hagemeister, Hall, Hambright, Landt, Maertz, Rosenkranz, Taylor, Uecke, Winter and Wolfinger—17.

The question being on the amendments to the bill as reported by the joint special committee on Apportionment, and

The ayes and noes being demanded, it was decided in the affirmative: Ayes, 68; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 17.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGross, Dodge, Eaton, Fraser, Froehlich, Frost, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Smith D. K., Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Wipperman, Wolff G. W., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—68.

Noes—Messrs. Conway, Croll, Finn, Gilmore, Jeché, Lange, Mahoney, G. R., McGalloway, Plisch, Rodrian, Schellenberg, Sloan, Smith J. J., Sorge and Wolf H.—15.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Boncel, Christians, Ellarson, Grier, Hagemeister, Hall, Hambright, Landt, Maertz, Rosenkranz, Taylor, Uecke, Winter and Wolfinger—17.

Messrs. Christians and Grier were paired: Mr. Grier would have voted for, and Mr. Christians against, the bill.

The question recurred on the passage of the bill as amended, and

The ayes and noes being required, it was decided in the affirmative: Ayes, 67; noes, 15; absent or not voting, 18.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Cousins, Cox, Davidson, DeGroff, Dodge, Eaton, Fraser, Froehlich, Frost, Ham, Hanke, Hansen E. E., Hanson J., Harris, Hirschinger, Hoffmann, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeske, Johnson, Jones S. S., Jones W. A., Kimball, Klabunde, Lamberson, Latta, Lee, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., Miller, Mohr, Notbohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Sanderson, Sieker, Smith D. K., Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Utt, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Wolff G. W., Woller, Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Conway, Croll, Finn, Gilmore, Jeché, Lange, Mahoney G. R., McGalloway, Plisch, Rodrian, Schellenberg, Sloan, Smith J. J., Sorge and Wolf H.—15.

Absent or not voting—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Boncel, Christians, Ellarson, Grier, Hagemeister, Hall, Hambright, Landt, Maertz, Rosenkranz, Taylor, Uecke, Winter, Wipperman and Wolfinger—18.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The assembly took a recess till 7:30 p. m.

7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Woll, Hanke and Sieker indefinitely.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Mr. George R. Mahoney introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The present session has demonstrated the utter incapacity of the legislature to provide a fair and non-partisan legislative apportionment as required by the constitution and according to the rules laid down by the supreme court; therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That a committee consisting of two members of the senate and three members of the assembly be appointed to prepare and submit to the governor the necessary measures to so amend the constitution as to provide for a non-partisan commission to make all future apportionments as recommended by the governor in his message submitted January 10, 1895. Such measures to be submitted to the governor on or before December 31 next, and to be by him submitted to the legislature at its next session thereafter.

Which was declared out of order by the speaker.

On motion of Mr. Dodge,
The assembly adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1896.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

The clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names:

Messrs. Ackerman, Anson, Bacon, Boncel, Bradbury, Buckstaff, Bullard, Burdick, Burke, Clark E. F., Clark F. E., Conway, Cousins, Cox, Croll, Davidson, DeGroff, Dodge, Finn, Fraser, Froehlich, Frost, Gilmore, Grier, Hall, Ham, Ham-bright, Hansen E. F., Hanson J., Hirschinger, Hoffman, Hoyt, Hurd, Jeche, Jeske, Johnson, Jones W. A., Klabunde, Lamber-son, Lange, Latta, Lord, Mahoney D. O., Mahoney G. R., Marsh, Martin T. L., Martin H. C., McGalloway, Miller, Mohr, Not-bohm, O'Neil, Paulus, Plisch, Prochnow, Ray, Reynolds, Rod-rian, Rosenkranz, Sanderson, Schellenberg, Sieker, Sloan, Smith D. K., Smith J. J., Sorge, Spaulding, Stanley, Stillman, Thalacker, Thomas, Treat, Werhein, Wilke, Williams, Wipper-man, Wolff G. W., Wolf H., Yawkey and Mr. Speaker—80.

Absent—Messrs Eaton, Hanke, Harris, Landt, Lee, Maertz and Wolfinger—7.

Absent with leave—Messrs. Bonnin, Besse, Blake, Christians, Ellarson, Hagemeister, Jones S. S., Kimball, Taylor, Uecke, Utt, Winter and Woller—13.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Utt, J. J. Smith and Christians.

To Messrs. O'Neil and McGalloway indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Ray,

The assembly took a recess till 11 o'clock.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

Assembly was called to order by the speaker.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has amended, and concurred in as amended:

No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

The amendments to

No. 1, A.,

Were severally concurred in.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Was granted

To Messrs. Thalacker, Davidson, Cox, Anson, Prochnow, Burdick, Williams, Lange, Marsh, Stanley and Fraser, indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. De Groff,

The assembly adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1896.

10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly met.

The speaker in the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Butler offered prayer.

On motion of Mr. Utt,

The roll call was dispensed with.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE.

The committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred:

No. 1, A.,

A bill to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts,

Report the same correctly enrolled.

H. F. WILKE,
Acting Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Utt,

The assembly took a recess till 11:30 a. m.

11:30 O'CLOCK A. M.

The assembly was called to order by the speaker.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,
Executive Office.

MADISON, WIS., February 28th, 1896.

To the Honorable the Assembly:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved bill No. 1, A., entitled:

"An act to apportion and district anew the state of Wisconsin into senate and assembly districts."

In this message I desire to express my pleasure at the manner in which the legislature has performed this most important duty. I believe I may say that not only the work which you have accomplished, but the method in which it has been accomplished, will commend itself to the people of the state, regardless of party affiliations.

There has been presented a spectacle such as is rarely seen during the sessions of legislative bodies — that of a majority of the members totally disregarding questions of personal advantage, and ignoring entirely the spirit of partisanship, working earnestly to produce a constitutional apportionment. That you have done what you have thus conscientiously attempted to do, I have not the slightest doubt. Where so much care and intelligence have been devoted, where every controversy and question in dispute has been thus carefully and openly considered, I am confident that the result is the very best which it is possible for a legislative body to reach.

For this you are to be congratulated, and for this you have my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. UPHAM,
Governor.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By W. L. HOUSER, chief clerk thereof:

MR. SPEAKER:

I am directed to inform you that the senate has concurred in: Jt. Res. No. 1, A.,

Relating to printing and publication of the journals of this session and act passed thereby.

And has adopted, and asks the concurrence of the assembly in:
Jt. Res. No. 7, S.,
Relating to final adjournment,
Jt. Res. No. 8, S.,
Relating to a joint committee to wait upon the governor.
And has concurred in:
Jt. Res. No. 3, A.,
Concerning national educational association.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED.

Jt. Res. Nos. 7 and 8, S.,
Were concurred in.

The speaker appointed Messrs. Ackerman, Burke and H. Wolf
on part of the assembly on Jt. Res. No. 8, S.

COMMUNICATION TO THE ASSEMBLY.

To the Honorable the Assembly:

The special committee to await upon the governor has performed its duty, and begs leave to report that his excellency has no further communication to make to the legislature.

CHR. ACKERMAN,
TIMOTHY BURKE,
HUBERT WOLF,

On the part of the assembly.

The hour for final adjournment having arrived, the speaker said:

Gentlemen of the Assembly:

The hour for final adjournment having arrived, by the authority in me vested and in conformity to a joint resolution of both houses, I declare this assembly adjourned *sine die*.

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